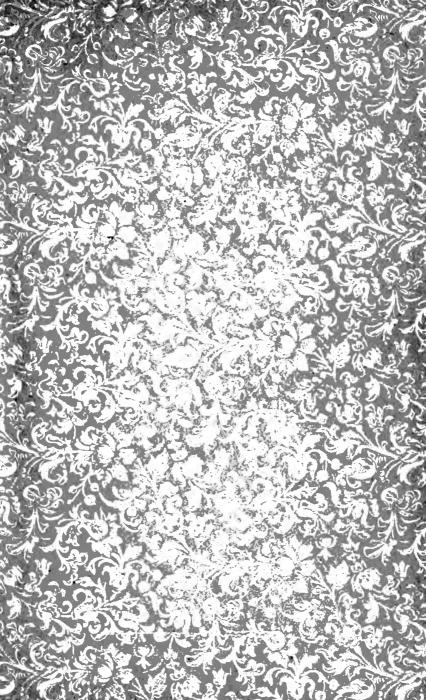


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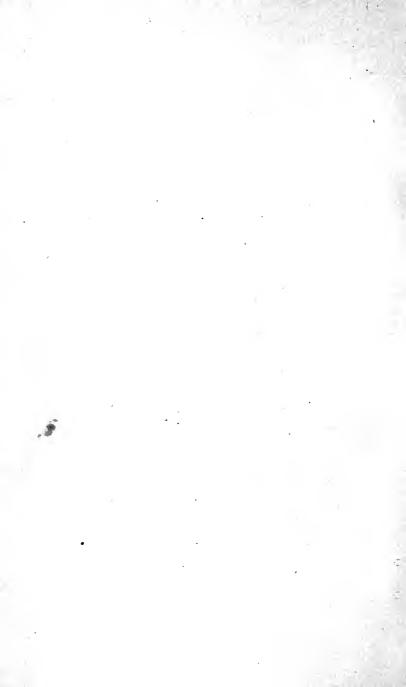
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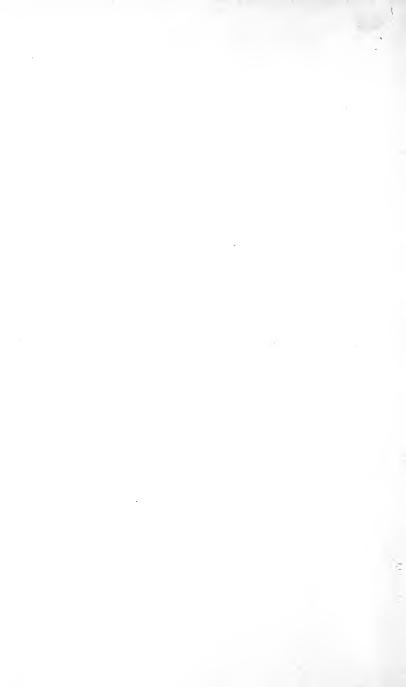
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PREFACE

This investigation contains an examination of the Hebrew influence on the language of the Authorized Version. The subject was suggested to the author by Professor Paul Haupt in the autumn of 1894. Since that time the Authorized Version has been read a number of times and carefully compared with the Hebrew text. While the list of Hebraisms in the appendix is confined to the Old Testament, the New Testament contains a great number, which the author hopes to present for publication at some future time. He takes this means of expressing his thanks to his teacher, Professor Paul Haupt, for many valuable suggestions, and to Professor James W. Bright, who, during the several interviews granted by him, proved of great assistance to the author. W. R.

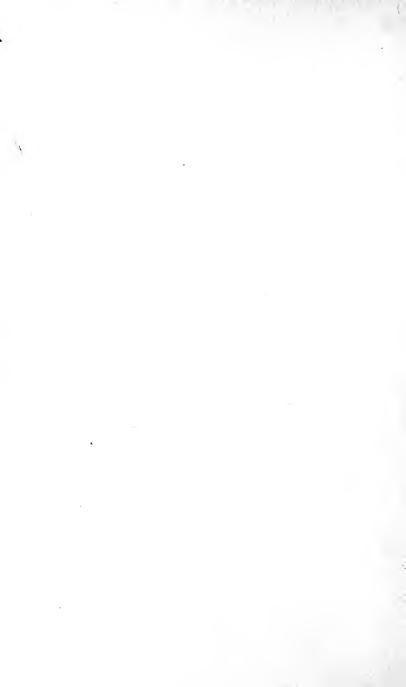


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ABBREVIATIONS

ArabArabic.
AramAramaic.
AssyAssyrian.
A. VAuthorized Version.
BlBlass, Grammatik d. Neutestament- lichen Griechich.
CLinguistic Coincidence.
Del. Assy. Dict Delitzsch, Assyrian Dictionary.
Del. Assy. GramDelitzsch, Assyrian Grammar.
Ency. Brit Encyclopaedia Britannica.
Eth Ethiopic.
GSeptuagint.
GesBuhl Heb. DictGesenius-Buhl Hebrew Dictionary.
Ges. Heb. Gram Gesenius Hebrew Grammar.
HierHieronymus.
JVulgate.
(J.)Judaic Document.
J. A. O. SJournal of the American Oriental Society.
J. B. LJournal of Biblical Literature.
J. H. U. CirJohns Hopkins University Circular.
KomKommentar.
Lehr. d. Heb. Spr Lehrgebaeude der Hebraeischen Sprache.
MMasoretic Text.
N. TNew Testament.
O. TOld Testament.
P. B Polychrome Bible.
R. V
SPeshita.
SymSymmachus.
Syr Syriac.
T Targum.
Z. A. T Zeitschrift fuer die alttestamentliche
Wissenschaft.



INTRODUCTION

EXPLANATION OF SUBJECT

In the course of the critical interpretation of the Hebrew Text of the Old Testament, as conducted in the Oriental Seminary of Johns Hopkins University, frequent reference was made by Professor Haupt to the influence exerted by Hebrew lexicography and syntax upon the English of the A. V. of the Bible and thus indirectly upon the English written and spoken to-day. From time to time decided Hebraisms were indicated in the vernacular which no one but the student of the socalled "Holy Tongue" recognizes as being of Hebrew descent. This fact excited my interest and prompted me to the careful examination of the English of the A. V. and of all classical and current literature I happened to read. I found the claim verified so frequently that I concluded to show the influence of Hebrew on English by searching the A. V. for all the Hebraisms the company of translators, either consciously or unconsciously, retained. The English text was read by me several times. Expressions which struck me as Hebraisms were compared with their equivalents in Hebrew, as contained in the M. The Ancient Versions were consulted whenever necessary to show whether the apparent Hebraism came to us from the Hebrew or through some other channel. And authorities on English as well as commentaries on the Hebrew text were called into requisition to see whether the opinions advocated established other theories of origin than those at which I had arrived.

I found but very little material on the subject. Here and there I encountered some incidental indication of a Hebraism. Time and again, however, I found the confession that the Hebrew thought and speech had considerable to do in shaping and molding English thought and speech. A passage from the pen of Joseph Addison (1672-1719) is here to the point. Said Addison:

"There is a certain Coldness and Indifference in the phrases of our European Languages, when they are compared with the Oriental Forms of Speech; and it happens very luckily, that the Hebrew Idioms run into the English Tongue with a particular Grace and Beauty. Our Language has received innumerable Elegancies and Improvements, from that Infusion of Hebraisms which are derived to it out of the Poetical Passages in Holy Writ. They give a Force and Energy to our Expressions, warm and animate our Language, and convey our Thoughts in more ardent and intense Phrases, than any that are to be met with in our own Tongue. There is something so pathetick in this kind of Diction, that it often sets the Mind in a Flame, and makes our Hearts burn within us. How cold and dead does a Prayer appear, that is composed in the most Elegant and Polite Forms of Speech, which are natural to our Tongue when it is not heightened by that solemnity of Phrase, which may be drawn from the Sacred Writings. It has been said by some of the Ancients, that if the Gods were to talk with Men, they would certainly speak in Plato's style; but I think we may say, with Justice, that when Mortals converse with their Creator, they cannot do it in as proper a Style as in that of the Holy Scriptures.

"If any one would judge of the Beauties of Poetry that are to be met in the Divine Writings, and examine how kindly the Hebrew Manners of Speech mix and incorporate with the English Language, after having perused the Book of Psalms, let him read a literal translation of Horace or Pindar. He will find in these translations such an Absurdity and Confusion of Style with such a Comparative Poverty of Imagination, as will make him very sensible of what I have been here advancing." ¹

Another passage to which I desire to call attention in this connection is one in Selden's Table Talk, which Cheyne quotes in his review of the books of Psalms and Judges in the Polychrome Bible.²

"There is no book translated as the Bible for the purpose. If I translate a French book into English, I turn it into English phrase, not into French English. I say 'Tis cold,' not 'It makes cold;' but the Bible is rather translated into English words than into English phrase. The Hebraisms are kept and the phrase of that language is kept." After citing an example, Selden remarks: "It is well enough so long as scholars have to do with it; but when it comes among the common people, Lord, what gear do they make of it?"

And no less a modern scholar than Dr. Richard G. Moulton, Professor of Literature in English in the University of Chicago, also recognizes the influence exerted on English by Hebrew when he remarks:

"The Hebrew writers of the Old Testament and their followers, the Christian Hebrews of the New Testament, have been the inspiration of those who have inspired our

¹ Spectator, No. 405.

² Expositor, April, 1898.

own writers; their style has largely leavened the style of modern English, their thought has become so closely interwoven with English thought of the last three centuries that it is impossible to sever the two." *

In order to show how replete every part of the Bible is with expressions foreign to English, I give here in parallel columns the wording of a chapter as it appears in the A. V. and its wording according to the usage of modern English. Let us take the fourth chapter of the Book of Esther.

Authorized Version. Reconstruction of English of A. V.

- 1. When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and bitter cry;
- 2. And came even before the king's gate; for none might enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.
- 3. And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

When Mordecai ascertained all that had happened, he rent his clothes, put on sackcloth (and covered his head) with ashes. Then he went through the city crying aloud and bitterly and advancing as far (only) as the outside of the court of the palace-for no one clothed in sackcloth was permitted to enter the premises of the palace. In every province whithersoever the king's order and decree came, intense mourning, fasting, weeping and wailing prevailed among the Jews, many of whom were clad in sackcloth with ashes (on their heads).

^{*}Select Masterpieces of Biblical Literature, Introduction, p. 14.

Authorized Version.

- 4. So Esther's maids and her chamberlains came and told it her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him; but he received it not.
- 5. Then called Esther for Hatach, one of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know what it was, and why it was.
- 6. So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which was before the king's gate.
- 7. And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.
- 8. Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew it unto Esther, and to declare it unto her, and to

Reconstruction of English of A. V.

When Esther's maids and chamberlains came to tell her (of this), the queen was sorely grieved and sent garments (with the instruction), that they be put on Mordecai and that his sackcloth be removed: but he would not acquiesce. Thereupon Esther summoned Hatach, of the king's chamberlains, whom the king had appointed to wait on her, ordering him to ascertain why Mordecai acted thus. When Hatach came to Mordecai in the street, in front of the king's palace, Mordecai told him all that had happened to him, and the sum of money Haman had promised to pay into the royal treasury for the destruction of the Jews, giving him also a copy of the decree, published at Shushan, which enjoined their destruction, and asking that it be shown to Esther, and that she be requested to go to the king, petition him, and plead with him in behalf of her people.

Authorized Version.

Reconstruction of English of A. V.

charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.

- 9. And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.
- 10. Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;
- 11. All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one law of his to put him to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days.
- 12. And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.
- 13. Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the

When Hatach reported to Esther what Mordecai had said, Esther charged Hatach with the following message to Mordecai:

The king's courtiers and the people of the king's provinces know that any one. whether man or woman, who comes to the king in the inner court, unbidden, is put to death in accordance with the law - except the king hold out his golden sceptre to him (as a sign) that he is spared-and I have not been summoned to the king for thirty days. When Mordecai was told Esther's message, he requested that Esther receive the following answer: Do not imagine that thou alone of all the Jews wilt escape because thou art at the king's palace. If thou dost not intercede now, help and deliverance will come from

Authorized Version.

king's house more than all the Jews.

14. For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

15. Then Esther bade them return Mordecai this answer,

16. Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which is not according to the law: and if I perish I perish.

17. So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

Reconstruction of English of A. V.

another source, but thou and thy family will be destroyed. Who knows but that thou hast attained royalty in order to be of service at this time?

Then Esther ordered that Mordecai be answered: assemble at once all Jews of Shushan and fast for my sake. Do not eat or drink, by day or night, for three days. I and my maidens will fast likewise. And in spite of that law I shall go to the king, and if I perish let me perish.

Thereupon Mordecai went away and acted in strict accord with Esther's instruction.4

'Words marked () in the reconstruction of the English of the A. V. are not in the text of the A. V., but are required to bring out the sense.





CHAPTER I

THE GROWTH OF ENGLISH — INFLUENCE OF TRANS-LATED LITERATURE

The law of evolution holds absolute sway in the universe. The world of matter and that of thought alike are controlled by it. Nothing of all that exists, or of which civilization may boast, came into being in the shape or state in which it is at present found. The multiplication of languages, as given in the 11th chapter of Genesis, is of great import as an ethical and religionistorical study, but is useless as a scientific explanation of linguistic differences. Men have never as yet come into possession, or even availed themselves, of a readymade language. Their feelings revolt against everything that is unnatural. The miraculous is regarded with suspicion nowadays. Volapuk has proven a failure. Every language must be and is a growth.

As to what the origin of language may be there exists interminable dispute. The "Simious" Theory holds that "Language is a development or growth out of sounds expressive of certain feelings uttered by the earliest quasi-human beings." The "Physical" Theory claims: "That languages are natural organisms which, without being determined by the will of man, arose, grew, and developed themselves in accordance with fixed laws, and then again grow old and die out; to them, too, belongs that succession of phenomena which

¹ W. H. J. Bleek, Origin of Language.

is wont to be termed 'life.' Glottology, the science of language, is therefore a natural science; its method is on the whole and in general the same as that of other natural sciences."²

The "Psychological" Theory suggests "That the mental conditions and relations of consciousness are the actual forces themselves which produce language." The "Imitative" Theory insists: "That language is onomatopoetic in origin." ⁴

To enter into a discussion of the respective merits of these and other theories is at present neither our aim nor duty. For the purpose here in hand it is sufficient to know that languages have a common origin, no matter what that origin be. What specially interests us is the factors which enter into the formation and transformation of a language after it has left, so to speak, the embryonic stage of its life. Certainly no language is fixed for all time to come. It constantly changes. Certain words and constructions become obsolete and are dropped, while new ones are almost all the time being adopted. Marked as is the difference between a language in the earlier periods of its history, and as spoken in subsequent times, no one but the specialist can in many instances trace the relationship. We see this truth exemplified between the Hebrew of the O. T. and that of the rabbinical writings; between the Greek of the Iliad and that of the Gospels; between the German of the "Nibelungenlied" and that of "Faust;" between the French of the "Chansons de Gestes" and that of

² Schleicher, Die Deutsche Sprache, Stuttgart, 1863.

⁸ Steinthal, Grammatik, Logik Und Psychologie, 1855.

⁴ The statement of the above theories is, with slight modification, taken from Whitney's Science of Language, p. 300.

"Consuelo;" between the English of the "Canterbury Tales" and that of "Vanity Fair." In this connection let us turn to the following words of Professor Whitney: "No one," says he, "ever set himself deliberately at work to invent or improve language-or did so, at least, with any valuable or abiding result; the work is all accomplished by a continual satisfaction of the need of the moment, by ever yielding to an impulse and grasping a possibility which the already acquired treasure of words and forms, and the habit of their use, suggest and put within reach. In this sense is a language a growth; it is not consciously fabricated; it increases by a constant and implicit adaptation to the expanding necessities and capacities of men. * * * This again is what is meant by the phrases 'organic growth, organic development' as applied to language. A language like an organic body is no mere aggregate of similar particles; it is a complex of related and mutually helpful parts. As such a body increases by the accretion of matter having a structure homogeneous with its own, as its already existing organs form the new addition, and form it for a determinate purpose—to aid the general life, to help the performance of its natural functions, of the organic being-so it is also with language; its new stores are formed from or assimilated to its previous substance; it enriches itself with the evolutions of its own internal processes, and in order more fully to secure the end of its being, the expression of the thought of those to whom it belongs. Its rise, development, decline and extinction are like the birth, increase, decay and death of a living creature." 5

⁵ Whitney, Language and the Study of Language, New York, 1877, p. 46.

How far does this thought apply to English? In every particular but one. English has not yet reached the period of its extinction, and may perhaps never do so, if the English-speaking peoples continue to hold their own among the nations of the world. English, however, is a growth. Day after day it takes on new accretions. Some words in use a few centuries hence would, were we to be reborn then, with our present knowledge of English, be altogether unintelligible to us. To cite a homely example of the changes a language undergoes, attention need be called only to the comparatively recent introduction of the possessive pronoun "its," which appears and reappears in almost every sentence we use in our daily speech, but which was unknown to the Englishspeaking people living less than three hundred years ago. Says Professor Mueller: "What is apparently a new grammatical form, the possessive pronoun 'its,' has sprung into life since the beginning of the 17th Century. It never occurs in the A. V. of the Bible; and though it is used ten times by Shakspeare, Ben Jonson does not recognize it as yet in his English Grammar." 6

The lack of homogeneity in the vocabulary of English (omitting for the present the development of its syntax) may be seen by examining the etymology of only a few of the terms now in use. One will find Anglo-Saxon, French, Celtic, Danish, Latin, Greek, and countless other elements.

Of Celtic origin are:

a. Names of animals; e. g., "hog" from Celtic "hogge;" "ass" from Celtic "asse."

b. Names of objects; e. g., "cradle" from Celtic "cradol."

⁶ The Science of Language, Charles Scribner & Sons, 1891.

c. Names of places; e. g., "rock" from Celtic "rocca." ⁷

Of Anglo-Saxon origin are:

- a. Names of objects, e. g., "man," "horse," "bird,"
 "body," "flesh," "blood," "head," "hand,"
 "heart," "soul," "mind," etc., etc.
- b. Terms for qualities, e. g., "good," "bad," "high," "low," "cold," "hot," "hard," "soft," etc., etc.
- c. Terms for actions, e. g., "lie," "sit," "stand," "walk," "run," "do," "say," etc., etc.

Of French origin are:

e. g., "balance," "battalion," "ennui," "champ," "chattel," "sans," "voyage," etc., etc.

Of Danish origin are:

e. g., "blunt," "bull," "die," "dwell, "kill," "kid,"
"raise," "same," "thrive," "wand," "wing." "

Of Latin origin are:

e. g., "mynster," "candle," "turtle," "cedar," etc., etc., and an endless number of compounds.

Of Greek origin are:

e. g., "abyss," "embryo," "meter," "phrase," "psychic," "salt," etc., etc., and a host of compounds.

To give any more illustrations is unnecessary. For the purpose in hand the few which have been cited will suffice. Kluge is specially lucid on this point.

Nor is English syntax anything but a combination of heterogeneous elements. Geo. P. Marsh, in his book "The Origin and History of the English Language," says: "What then does the character of the language

⁷ Paul, Grundriss der Germanischen Philologie, Vol. I, Geschichte der Eng!ischen Sprache von F. Kluge, p. 782, par. 2.

⁸ Enc. Brit., English Language, by James H. Murray.

commonly, and as I think, appropriately called Anglo-Saxon, when examined in the earliest forms known to us, indicate with respect to the origin of those who spoke it? According to the present views of the ablest linguists, grammatical structure is a much more essential and permanent characteristic of language than the vocabulary, and is, therefore, alone to be considered in tracing their history and determining their ethnological This theory I think is carried too far, when it is insisted that no amalgamation of the grammatical characteristics of different speeches is possible; for though languages often receive and assimilate a great amount of foreign material without much change of structure, yet, on the other hand, there are cases of the adoption of more or less of foreign syntax while the vocabulary remains in a good degree the same, while the people who employ it continue almost wholly unmixed in blood with other nations. The Armenians for example can boast of a purer and more ancient descent than any other Christian people, and they have kept themselves during the whole period since their conversion to Christianity in the 4th Century almost as distinct in blood and as marked in nationality as the Their language is lineally descended from Hebrews. the old Armenian tongue, its radicals remaining substantially the same, but its grammar is everywhere modified by that of the prevailing idiom of the different countries where in the wide dispersion of the Armenian people it is spoken."

Having established the complex character of English, both as to its vocabulary and syntax, the question as to

^o The Origin and History of the English Language, New York, 1877, p. 45.

how and when these various component elements found their way into the tongue is in order. To treat the subject satisfactorily, it is advisable to give a brief outline of the history of English.

The early language of England was Celtic. When, however, the country was occupied by the Romans (43-409 A. D.) and the ruling caste used the Latin, many Latin expressions found their way into the vernacular. The 5th and 6th Centuries brought many emigrants from Germany, and with them, a linguistic revolution. These Germans hailed from Sleswick and Holstein. One colony, the Angles, settled in the east and north of Britain: another, the Saxons, took up their abode in the south and west; and still another, the Jutes, made for the southeast. The language of the three colonies of newcomers was substantially the same. At times it is called the "Saxon," and at times the "English" (pertaining to the Angles)—the latter name eventually prevailing. As conquest was added to conquest by the Saxons, the old Celtic tongue was crowded out and supplanted by that of the Saxon invaders. With the conversion of England to Christianity at the beginning of the 7th Century, the study of Latin was cultivated and English became enriched by many Latin ecclesiastical terms. In the early part of the 9th Century the Scandinavians, or Danes, took possession of and populated large districts along the eastern coast of England. Danish kings occupied the English throne. While the Scandinavians of England lost their mother tongue, almost altogether, in a very short space of time, they did not leave English altogether unaffected by them. The plural form "are" of the verb "to be" is one of the marks of their direct influence. That for which the Scandinavians are to be held responsible, and which

was one of the most important changes created in the language of England, is the introduction of many French terms. The Normans of France, countrymen of the English Danes, had also ceased to speak their own language, and had adopted French in its place. Norman-French soon made itself felt upon English. Edward the Confessor (1042-1065) used it as the language of his court. In his youth this monarch had lived in Normandy. As soon as he took possession of the throne he made Normans the officers of his court. Upon his death (1065) Duke William of Normandy seized the English crown. After a hard-fought battle he subjugated the Saxons. English social conditions changed. Frequent outbreaks of revolt against the king, among the Saxons, prompted William to treat Saxons with severity. They were deprived of the privilege to hold offices of any kind. The higher circles used French instead of Anglo-Saxon. In the schools French became the language of instruction. The five centuries that followed shaped and reshaped English considerably. Anglo-Saxon gradually discarded inflection, adopted a large store of French vocabulary, and guided itself in spelling to a great extent by the French tongue.10 James H. Murray, in his article on the English language in the Encyclopædia Britannica, divides the centuries into the following distinct periods:

¹⁰ F. H. Sykes, J. H. U. Dissertation, French Elements in Middle English, Oxford, 1899.

In the course of the 14th Century the most radical changes were effected. The literature of the times reyeals a multitude of Romance words. The nobility, which had, until this time, used the Norman-French, became acquainted with the English of the masses. Owing to the fact that French possessions were taken by force from King John, the tie between the Normans of England and those of France was severed. They grew to be mutual enemies, while the Normans of England and its common people became friends. All barriers separating the once mutually inimical were removed. They intermarried. Those who belonged to the common people and had always been treated with contempt, rose to positions of trust. Mutual intercourse tended to intermingle the language of the Normans with that of the Saxons. Literature perpetuated the newly adopted vocabulary. The 16th Century changed English still more, though the changes effected since then were not as radical as those effected previous to this time. Many words formerly in use lost their meanings. A goodly number became obsolete. Countless new ones, such as scientific and technical terms, were added. Idioms previously unknown were coined. The great Elizabethan age, with its ever growing store of literature, had arrived. Many more Latin and Greek terms found their entrance into English from time to time. The Renaissance, with its rejuvenation of interest in the classics, and later, the steady progress of science were bound to create in the language of England, as well as in that of every other country, the need of new terminologies."

¹¹ Enc. Brit., English Language; Kluge Geschichte der Englischen Sprache, vol. I, pp. 780-930; The Origin and

So much for the history of the English language. With the facts just emphasized well in mind, what seem to have been the causes which defined the course of development of the English language, as they, of necessity, defined the line of development of every other tongue? The causes are: The mutual influence of the dialects of a country upon one another; the political history of a country; the close or distant relations of the people of a country to other nations; the need for the expression of new ideas as a result of discovery and inventions in every realm of thought and activity; and last, but by no means least, the literature created by a people. It is to the influence of the last of these causes, namely, literature, and more particularly to a certain class of literature, to which special attention should be called. I refer to translated literature: that is, the literature translated from other languages into the language of a people. That translations play no insignificant part in shaping and molding a tongue every one concedes. It is frequently remarked, and there are certainly grounds for the statement, that justice is never done the thoughts of a writer when his works are translated from the language in which they were originally written. Every language has many words and idioms with peculiar shades of meaning, for which other languages have no equivalents. Under such circumstances, the translator often forms new words, the composition of which is suggested by the composition of the words he wishes to render exactly; and also not infrequently attempts a literal translation

History of the English Language, by George P. Marsh; Old and Middle English, and The New English, T. L. K. Oliphant.

where he cannot hit upon the idiomatic equivalent. Constructions characteristic of a language, from which the translation is made, are also not seldom reproduced. Such departures from the native spirit of a language are soon looked upon as precedents, sure to be copied and recopied, especially if the works happen to be of a kind which are extensively read or issue from the pens of recognized authorities. English is full of Gallicisms, Germanisms and other isms, and the reason for this fact is as much, if not more, the influence of literature translated into English from French, German and other tongues, as it is the intercourse of English-speaking people with foreigners.

Great as may have been the influence of any one translation, or even any one work written originally in English, upon the shaping of our language, the influence of no work is comparable with that of the A. V. of the Bible. It was the most remarkable undertaking in the history of English literature. Produced by royal decree, and soon after accepted by the English church, it was bound to make itself felt. It molded new forms and phrases, which, while foreign to the English, became with it flesh and bone. The origin of most of these forms and phrases is not difficult to trace. are like the equivalents of which they were translations -Hebrew in character. To appreciate the wonderful power of the A. V. in English literature, we shall follow up a history of the Bible in English until the time of the A. V.'s completion. It must be borne in mind that the A. V. did not by any means introduce these expressions, as translations of the Bible existed before it.



CHAPTER II

HISTORY OF THE ENGLISH BIBLE

In order to give a reliable account of the history of the Bible in English from its beginning, as far as it is possible to fix that beginning with the records in our possession, a glance at the earliest literature produced by the people of England is necessary. As among the Boers, so in other communities, whose religious teachings and speculations are based upon and inspired by the Bible, the Bible always was and still is the book. It is, therefore, not in the least surprising to find the literary genius of a people devoted at all times, aye, even at the very start of its activity, to the creation of literature along Biblical lines. The English people by no means forms the exception to the rule. With the establishment of Christianity on English soil it was but natural for the Bible to engage to a marked degree the attention of the writers of these and subsequent times. That "as far back as the English language can be followed, there are traces of the work of English translators of the Scriptures," a statement made by the Rev. J. H. Blunt in the article on the "English Bible," contributed by him to the Encyclopædia Britannica, is certainly ques-The footnote given by Mr. Blunt, in the hope of having his claim accepted as a fact, lends anything but support to his point. Because "Gildas writes in the beginning of his history, that, when English martyrs gave up their lives for Christianity, during the Diocletian persecution, in the beginning of the 4th Century, all copies of the Holy Scriptures, which could be found, were burned in the streets," it is not to be presumed that "there seem indeed to have been copies of a vernacular version in the earlier language of the country." The Scriptures burned could easily have been Latin and Greek texts. In an attempt to give a trustworthy history of anything, we are not justified in conjecturing or in forming rash conclusions. We must deal with naught but facts, which existing data will verify.

The first translation of the entire Bible was the Wickliffe version in the year 1384. Translations may have been made before this time, but no authentic record points in this direction. All translations of which we have any definite knowledge are translations of separate parts. Says Professor Geo. P. Marsh: "There is no reason to believe that any considerable portion of the Bible, except the Psalter, had ever been rendered into English until the translation of the whole volume was undertaken at the suggestion of Wickliffe; and in part by his own efforts before the beginning of the last quarter of the 14th Century. The earliest extant translations into English of any part of the Bible are, as Professor Bright has pointed out, the Gospel of St. Luke and the Psalter of St. Aldhelm, Bishop of Sherborne. The first fifty psalms of the latter are in prose and the rest in verse. The Psalter of St. Aldhelm was followed by a paraphrase of parts of the Bible from the pen of Cadmon, who died towards the close of the 7th

 $^{^{\}rm 1}\,\rm Marsh,$ Origin and History of the English Language, N. Y., 1877, pp. 339-340.

² Bright, The Gospel of St. Luke, in Anglo-Saxon, Oxford, 1893.

Century. What the subject-matter of the paraphrase was may be seen from the following passage of Bede's Ecclesiastical History quoted by Dr. Cook: "Canebat autem de creatione mundi et origine humani generis, et tota Genesis historia, de egressu Israel ex Aegypto et ingressu in terram repromissionis, de aliis plurimis sacrae Scripturae historiis, de incarnatione Dominica, passione, resurrectione, et ascensione in coelum, de Spiritus sancti adventu et apostolorum doctrina."

About 680 the Lindisfarne Gospels of Eadrith, and a little later the Rushworth Gospels, were written. At almost the same time Guthlac, a Saxon hermit, who died in 714, translated the Psalter. A later translation of parts of the Scriptures is the Heptateuch of Aelfric, the Archbishop of Canterbury, written toward the close of the 10th Century. It included, as its name implies, the first seven books of the Old Testament, to which were added afterwards, probably by the same author, translations of Kings, Esther, Job, Judith, the four Maccabees, and the four Gospels. In the first half of the 14th Century the Psalter was again translated, once by William de Shorham of Kent and again by Hampole. Of all the foregoing translations, manuscripts are preserved in different English libraries. In 1384 the Wickliffe translation of the entire Bible, the work of Nicholas de Horeford and John Wickliffe, was completed, while in 1388 the Purvey version was produced. Two striking characteristics of the Wickliffe Bible are its literal rendering of the Hebrew and Greek texts in many places and its retention of Latinisms. On the

³Cook, Biblical Quotations in the Old English Prose Writers, London, 1898, introduction, p. 13.

⁴ Ibid., p. 18.

first of these characteristics Professor Marsh commented, saying, while speaking of the Wickliffe Bible among other Bibles, including the Luther version:

"They exhibit a closer resemblance to Hebrew and Greek texts than would be practicable with a more modern style of expression, and with a greater number of words, more specific in meaning and less capable of varied application." Latinisms are pointed out by Kingston Oliphant. Says Oliphant: "The great fault of Wickliffe is that he sticks too closely to the Latin idioms he was translating; his English therefore is but poor as compared with the year 1000. I give a specimen of his Latinisms from the Vulgate; some of his renderings as may be here seen are downright blunders:

Wicklif	fo
VV CONCE	C.

Duknessis. Weddingus. Spectacle. At us. May not have hated. It is seen to me.

Vulgate.

Tenebrae. Nuptiae. Spectaculum. Apud nos.

Non potest odisse. Visum est mihi.6"

In fact, Latinisms, Hellenisms and Hebraisms are peculiar to all the earlier translations. That such should be the case is not at all strange. The translations under consideration were in every instance made from G and J, thus reproducing directly Greek and Latin and indirectly Hebrew modes of speech.

The 16th Century ushers in a new period in the history of the English Bible. The Bible in the vernacular was now printed in England. One version was followed

⁵ Origin and History of English Language, p. 345.

⁶ The New English, vol. I, p. 139.

by another in quick and constant succession, until our present A. V. dropped from the press. The Renaissance, which had introduced a revival of interest in the classics, and effected their translation, also stimulated the desire for an authoritative English version of the Scriptures. Hebrew was extensively studied for the purpose of translating the O. T. from the original. All subsequent versions were no longer based on G and J, but on M and G. Though the Bible was now being printed in England, it must be remembered that England was comparatively late in making this much needed departure. Mr. Blunt, in his article referred to above, remarks on this point: "It is singular that while France, Spain and Italy each possessed vernacular Bibles before Henry VIII began his reign, and Germany had seventeen editions of the Scripture printed and widely circulated in the German language before Luther was known, yet no English printer attempted to put the familiar English Bible into type. No part of the Bible was printed in English before 1526, no complete Bible before 1535, and none in England before 1538." In a note, however, Mr. Blunt adds: "It should be mentioned that the popular 'Golden Legend' contained nearly the whole of the Pentateuch and the Gospel narrative in English, and that this was printed by Caxton in 1493."1

At all events the first printed English Bible was that of William Tyndale (1484-1536). It appeared in parts. The work was done on foreign shores. In 1524, Tyndale left for Germany and made straight for Witten-

⁷Pierce Butler, J. H. U. Dissertation, Golden Legend, Baltimore, 1899.

berg, Luther's home. That he was assisted in his translation is certain. He confesses this fact himself. Whether Luther himself took any active part is difficult to say. The N. T. was the first part to be printed. The work, which was being done at Cologne, was, however, interrupted, as Tyndale and his assistant, being regarded as two English apostates, were compelled to leave the city. Worms was decided upon as the next scene of Tyndale's activity. A new edition was at once printed. In 1526 the work was ready for distribution, shipped to England and disposed of in less than two years. vised editions followed. In 1530 the Tyndale Pentateuch came from the press. Tyndale was not sufficiently learned in Hebrew to translate the Pentateuch singlehanded. Who helped him in this undertaking is, therefore, a fact about which no little conjecturing has been made. It is, however, frequently supposed that Coverdale, the Hamburg scholar, did much of the translation. In the preparation of his Pentateuch, Tyndale was guided, as far as English is concerned, by the English of the Purvey version, as his own translation has very much in common with the latter.

In 1535 the Coverdale Bible was finished. It was the work of Miles Coverdale, an Augustinian friar, in which he was faithfully engaged for nearly ten years. It also was printed outside of England, namely, in Antwerp, though, according to a statute passed just before its appearance to protect English bookbinders, the covers were put on in England. It was the first version that put the Apocryphal books at the end of the O. T.

Matthew's Bible of 1537 is the next version in regular order. Its editor, and only its editor, was Thomas Matthew, for the text of the books, from Genesis to Chroni-

cles, was taken from Tyndale's version; that of the books from Ezra to Malachi from Coverdale's, and that of the N. T. again from Tyndale. It was also an Antwerp impression and was a folio volume.

The next and last of the versions which were the ventures of individuals, working without official authority, is the Taverner's Bible of 1539, the work of a layman, Richard Taverner, based altogether on the Matthew version.

The year 1539 gave England an authorized version, known as "The Great Bible." It was ordered to be printed by Henry VIII. The work was executed under the editorship of Coverdale in the city of Paris, where most of England's devotional books were printed. When the Bible was pretty well under way, the continuance of the work was interdicted and Coverdale compelled to flee. Many of the finished sheets were seized, sold as waste paper, and then shipped to England in large vats.

In 1560, England received the so-called "Geneva Bible." Its production grew out of the inability of the people to purchase the very expensive "Great Bible." It was called the "Geneva Bible" because it was the undertaking of English refugees at Geneva. Coverdale was also asked to assist in this work. The "Geneva Bible" was no original translation, but merely a revision of the text of the "Great Bible" by Hebrew and Greek scholars. It was printed in quarto size, divided into chapters and verses; the latter characteristic being then a new departure.

In 1568 Archbishop Parker finished a revision of the "Great Bible," termed the "Bishop's Bible," because the work of "bishops and other learned men."

A conference between High and Low Church parties,

held by James I in 1604, paved the way for the most celebrated English translation of the Scriptures. refer to the present A. V., which appeared in 1611. King James was anxious for uniformity of Scriptural rendering and, therefore, directed that the Bible should be translated under his supervision by the most learned men of the times. The services of church dignitaries and university professors, without discrimination as to party, were called into requisition. The university professors made the translation, the bishops revised it, the Privy Council examined it, and, finally royal authority sanctioned it. It was a tedious piece of work, as many passages had to be changed repeatedly before their reading was accepted as final. The rules which governed the translators in the prosecution of their work are of great interest and will, therefore, be quoted here:

1. "The ordinary Bible read in the church, commonly called the 'Bishop's Bible,' to be followed and as little altered as the truth of the original will permit."

2. "The names of the prophets and the holy writers, with the other names of the text, to be retained, as nigh as may be, accordingly as they were vulgarly used."

3. "The old ecclesiastical words to be kept, videlicet; the word *church* not to be translated congregation, etc."

4. "When a word hath diverse significations, that to be kept which hath been most commonly used by the most of the ancient fathers, being agreeable to the propriety of the place and the analogy of the faith."

5. "The division of the chapters to be altered either not at all, or as little as may be, if necessity so require."

6. "No marginal notes at all to be affixed, but only for the explanation of the Hebrew or Greek words, which cannot, without some circumlocution, so briefly and fitly be expressed in the text."

- 7. "Such quotations of places to be marginally set down, as shall serve for the fit references of one Scripture to another."
- 8. "Every particular man of each company to take the same chapter or chapters; and having translated or amended them, severally by himself, where he thinketh good, all to meet together, confer what they have done, and agree for their parts, what shall stand."
- 9. "As any one company hath dispatched any one book in this manner, they shall send it to the rest to be considered of seriously and judiciously; for his majesty is very careful in this point."
- 10. "If any company upon the review of the book so sent, doubt or differ upon any place, to send them word thereof, note the place, and withal send the reasons; to which, if they consent not, the difference to be compounded at the general meeting, which is to be of the chief persons of each company at the end of the work."
- 11. "When any place of special obscurity is doubted of, letters to be directed by authority, to send to any learned man in the land for his judgment of such a place."
- 12. "Letters to be sent from every bishop to the rest of his clergy admonishing them of this translation in hand, and to move and charge as many, as being skilful in the tongues, and having taken pains in that kind, to send his particular observations to the company either at Westminster, Cambridge or Oxford, according as it was directed before in the King's letter to the Archbishop."
- 13. "The directors in each company to be the deans of Westminster and Chester, for that place, and the King's professors in Hebrew and Greek in either University."

14. "These translations to be used when they agree better with the text than the 'Bishop's Bible,' viz.: Tyndale's, Matthew's, Coverdale's, Whitechurch's, Geneva."

15. "Besides the said directors before-mentioned three or four of the most ancient and grave divines in either of our Universities not employed in translating, to be assigned by the Vice Chancellor upon conference with the rest of the heads, to be overseers of the translations, as well Hebrew as Greek, for the better observation of the fourth rule above specified."

Published by royal authority and translated by the combined scholarship of England, the A. V. at once found its way into public favor. It was considered superior to all other versions extant, and gradually supplanted them in the churches, schools and homes. There was a dignity and beauty about its diction which the translations previously made lacked. To read the A. V. was regarded from the moment of its publication not only a religious duty, but a genuine pleasure. English of the A. V. was considered a model worthy of being followed, a distinction which many critics living to-day, nearly three hundred years after its publication, still bestow upon it. The A. V. was indeed an epochmaking book. Accessible as it now was to every one, it affected not only the written, but also the spoken, speech of the people. The value of the A. V. to English is expressed by Johan Storm in the following words:

"That which marks the English Bible more especially is the wonderful force and solemnity of its language. In this respect the English version ranks higher than any other, including the Luther Bible. The language is just ancient enough to give the impression of noble

dignity, and yet not too old to be intelligible. The English language has won through the Bible, Milton and Shakspeare a treasure of solemn and noble expressions without a parallel in any other language. There is for example something extremely effective and expressive in the mere substitution of 'verily' for 'indeed' and 'truly,' or of 'unto' for 'to.' If the expression is 'Verily I say unto you,' one is in an altogether different atmosphere than when the expression is, 'Indeed I tell you.' The latter may be earnest and forcible enough, but it is a human expression, while the former is divine. From the simple and noble style of the Bible we recognize what the best idiom at the beginning of the 17th Century was. * * * However it be, we have at all events, in the translation of the Bible, the noblest style of that period, devoid of all artificial adornments. Its language, therefore, deserves to be studied so much the more, because in the case of no other nation the Bible and its language are so interwoven with the nation's life "

"Was die Englische Bibel besonders auszeichnet ist die wunderbare Kraft und Feierlichkeit der Sprache. In dieser Beziehung steht die Englische Uebersetzung warscheinlich ueber jeder anderen, selbst der lutherischen. Die Sprache ist gerade alterthuemlich genug um den Eindruck von edler Ehrwuerdigkeit hervorzubringen und doch nicht zu alt, um verstaendlich zu sein. Die Englische Sprache hat durch die Bibel, Milton und Shakspeare einen Schatz feierlicher und edler Ausdruecke gewonnen, zu dem wohl keine moderne Kultursprache ein Seitenstueck hat. Es liegt z. B. etwas unendlich Wirksames und Ausdruckvolles in der einfachen Vertauschung von 'indeed' oder 'truly' mit 'verily,' von 'to' mit 'unto.' Wenn es heisst 'Verily I say unto you' so ist man in einer ganz anderen

Not even the R. V., prepared by the Revision Committee appointed in 1870, at the Convention of Canterbury, is an improvement on the A. V., as far as elegance of style is concerned. The version took its precursor as guide, shown by the following rules of government for the Revision Committee:

"That the revision be so conducted as to comprise both marginal renderings, and such emendations as it may be found necessary to insert in the text of the A. V."

"That * * * we do not contemplate any new translation of the Bible or any alteration of the language, except where, in the judgment of the most competent scholars, such change is necessary."

"That in such necessary changes the style of the language employed in the existing versions be closely followed."

For the comparative value of the A. V. and R. V. let so celebrated an authority as George Saintsbury speak. His opinion is endorsed by nearly all authorities in English:

"Selden was no literary critic, and his remarks on the A. V. of the Bible show an extraordinary insensi-

Sphaere, als wenn man sagt: 'Indeed I tell you;' letzteres kann ernst und eindringlich genug sein, aber es ist eine menschliche Sprache, jenes eine goettliche. * * * Aus dem einfachen und edlen Stiele der Bibel ersehen wir, was am Anfang des 17 Jarhunderts der beste Sprachgebrauch war. * * * Wie dem auch sei, so haben wir jedenfals in der Bibeluebersetzung den edelsten von allen kuenstlichen Verzierungen freien Stiel jener Periode. Ihre Sprache verdient daher wohl studiert zu werden, um so mehr als in keiner Nation die Bibel und ihre Sprache so mit dem Leben verflochten ist." (Johan Storm, Englische Philologie, Leipzig, 1896, vol. II, p. 995.)

bility to the merits of that mighty book. That it is the greatest monument by far of Jacobean prose there can be very little doubt, and the objection which Selden himself made, and which has been rather universally echoed since—that it does not directly represent the speech of its own or of any other time, is entirely fallacious. No good prose style ever does represent, except in such forms as letter writing and the dialogues in plays and novels, the spoken language of its time, but only a certain general literary form, colored, and shaped not too much by contemporary practice. The extraordinary merits of the A. V. are probably due to the fact that its authors, with almost more than human good sense of purpose and felicity of result, allowed the literary excellencies of the text from which they worked—Hebrew. Greek and Latin—and that of the earlier versions into English from that called Wickliffe's to the Bishop's Bible to filter through their own sieve, and acquire a moderate but only a moderate tincture of the filter itself in passing. No doubt the constant repetition. universal till recently, and pretty general, fortunately still, of the text in the ears of each generation, has had much to do with its prerogative authority and still more with the fact that it still hardly seems archaic. But the unanimous opinion of the best critics, from generation to generation, and still more, the utter shipwreck of the elaborately foolish attempt to revise it some years ago, are evidences of intrinsic goodness, which will certainly be confirmed by every one, who, with large knowledge of English at different periods, examines it impartially now."

Had the projectors of the R. V. wanted to render

Short History of English Literature, 1898, p. 380.

the English-speaking people a service, they should have translated many of the unintelligible expressions of the Bible into modern English, as is at present being done by the English translators of the P. B.

Significant as is the passage of Mr. Saintsbury, it is certainly questionable whether, as he says, the translators of the A. V. allowed only a moderate share of the Hebrew, Greek and Latin excellencies to pass through the sieve. Upon a careful examination, numerous distinctly Hebrew, and unquestionably also Greek and Latin forms of speech may be discovered. If it is true (as the preface of the A. V. declares, and it no doubt is) that the translators had before them the Hebrew text of the O. T. and the Greek of the N. T., we may indeed look for Hebraisms in the former and Grecisms in the latter, although the spirit of the N. T. is more Semitic than Greek.¹⁰ No text has yet been given to the world in the shape of a translation which did not at once reveal the foreign character of the authorship of the original. Of the Bible this is as much true as of any other book. It was the basis of the faith of millions of people, and where faith is concerned people evince an unusual amount of care in not creating any change which may give rise to the slightest misrepresentation, and hence misunderstanding, of the text. Made, as it was, the model of English since 1611, expressions, which are distinctly biblical, are being almost all the time used, and more often unconsciously than consciously. In the ensuing pages it will be our aim to show how completely biblical and more especially Hebrew thought and language have engrafted themselves on the modern English mind.

¹⁰ Cf. p. 81.

CHAPTER III

PROVERBIAL BIBLICAL PASSAGES IN USE

How completely we are possessed by biblical thought and speech no one has put more forcibly than Daniel Webster, America's immortal orator. It was he who confessed:

"From the time that at my mother's feet or on my father's knee I first learned to lisp verses from the sacred writings, they have been my daily study and vigilant contemplation. If there be anything in my style or thoughts to be commended, the credit is due to my kind parents in instilling into my mind an early love of the Scriptures."

These words are significant. They tell of a mighty educational factor, not only in the life of the man who uttered them, but also in the life of the entire Englishspeaking world. The English mind was quick to appreciate the beauty of Hebrew thought and speech, and hence, almost from the very beginning, adopted these as This is certainly noticeable to a marked demodels. gree in some of our early literary monuments still in existence, which were to a great extent naught but paraphrases of events and characters described in the Bible. The retention of biblical speech was in every instance believed to lend dignity to the subject under consideration. And biblical sentiments were incorporated in great number into almost every work produced. ton's observation was the voice of his people:

"There are no songs comparable to the songs of Zion, no orations equal to those of the prophets."

As literature formed speech, Hebrew was reflected by the English in daily use. Even men who are outspoken skeptics and claim never to read the Bible at all, quote the book they are in the habit of ignoring. The Rabbins were wont to say דברה תורה כלשון בני אדם "The Torah, or Bible, speaks the language of men" (Qid. 17)—an observation which, if inverted to read, "Men speak the language of the Torah, or Bible," would certainly not be any less justifiable.

In our attempt to show the influence of the Bible on our speech, we give first a list of some of the proverbial passages in use, either entirely or with some slight variation. They will be recognized at once as familiar acquaintances. These quotations are given as found in the text of the A. V. and are cited in the order of the A. V. books. Some of them are mistranslations because they were misunderstood, and wheresoever a misunderstanding of the text has resulted, the misapprehension will be indicated in a later chapter of this work.

"In the sweat of thy face," Gen. 3, 19 (J).

בזעת אפיך

- "Am I my brother's keeper" Gen. 4, 9 (J²). השמר אחי אנכי
- "In a good old age," Gen. 15, 15 (JE). בשיבה טובה
- "Unstable as water," Gen. 49, 4 (J).

פחז כמים

- "A stranger in a strange land," Ex. 2, 22 (J). גר בארץ נכריה
- "A land flowing with milk and honey," Ex. 3, 8 (J). ארץ זבת חלב ורבש

¹ Vide, p. 102.

"Sheep which have no shepherd," Numb. 27, 17 (P). כצאו אשר איו־להם רעה

"Pricks in your eyes and thorns in your sides." Numb. 33, 55 (P).

שבים בעיניכם וצנינים בצדיכם

"Man doth not live by bread alone," Deut. 8, 3 (D). לא על־הלחם לבדו יחיה האדם

"Whatsoever is right in his own eyes," Deut. 12, 8 (D). רל-הישור רשיניו

"The apple of his eye," Deut. 32, 10 (JE).2 אישון עינו

² "The apple of his eye," Deut. 32, 10 (RD). Attention should be called to the following note in Delitzsch's "Hebrew Language Viewed in the Light of Assyrian Research," which shows that news is incorrectly translated when rendered "apple of the eye." Says Delitzsch: "Another derivative of the root אישון is אישון generally wrongly translated by 'apple of the eye,' because occurring in passages like Deut. 32, 10 ('he kept him as the apple of his'), in connection with עין 'eye.' That this translation is wrong is evident from the passage in Psalms 17, 8, where we read שמרני כאישון which would have to be translated 'Keep me as the apple of the apple of the eye,' for נין certainly means 'The apple of the eye.' (Cf. Lam. 2, 18.) And what sense does this translation of אישון yield in passages like Prov. 7, 9, 'In the apple of the eye of the black and dark night'? The authors of the A.V., rightly feeling the difficulty, have omitted to render אישון in their translation of this passage and of Psalms 17. 8. The true sense of אישוו has already been recognized by Levy in his Dictionary of the Targumim. It is a synonym of DYV meaning 'strength,' used like DYV in Ex. 24, 10, as is further confirmed by the Assyrian isanu. The above quoted passages are therefore to be rendered, 'He kept him as his own eye,' Deut. 32, 10; 'Keep me even as the apple of the eye,' Ps. 17, 8; 'Even in the black and dark night,' Prov. 7, 9."

"The way of all the earth," Josh. 23, 14 (D).

"He smote them hip and thigh," Judg. 15, 8 (J)." ויך אותם שוק על ירך

"The people arose as one man," Judg. 20, 8 (Exilic editor).

ויקם כל-העם כאיש אחד

- "Is Saul also among the prophets?" I Sam. 10, 11 (J).4
- "A man after his own heart," I Sam. 13, 14 (J²).
- "Tell it not in Gath," II Sam. 1, 20 (J).
- " How are the mighty fallen," II Sam. 1, 25 (J). איך נפלו גברים

⁸ Literal meaning of "He smote them hip and thigh" is, "He smote them thigh upon buttock." The idea to be conveyed really is "He defeated them completely."

"Is Saul also among the prophets?" I Sam. 10, 11 (J), is often quoted in cases where astonishment is felt at the presumption of an individual to associate himself with others of whose company he is unworthy, as though Saul had been unworthy of the companionship of the prophets on account of his presumed inferiority to them. The opposite, however, was the case with Saul and the prophets. Saul was known to every one, while the prophets were obscure persons. Hence there was nothing surprising for Saul to be regarded the superior of the prophets. The exclamation, "Is Saul also among the prophets?" implied, "How does so noble a man as Saul get into the company of these ignoble prophets?" (Vide Cornill's Prophets of Israel, Chicago, 1895, p. 13; Wellhausen's Der Text der Buecher Samuel.)

⁵ Vide, p. 93.

"Thou art the man," II Sam. 12, 7 (J). אחה האיש

"From the sole of his foot to the crown of his head." II Sam. 14, 25 (Mid.).

מכף רגלו ועד קדקדו

- "Steal the heart." II Sam. 15. 6 (J). וינגב את־לב
- "A burden to me," II Sam. 15, 33 (J). מליבלמשוא
- "Seeketh my life," II Sam. 16, 11 (J). מבקש את־נפשי
- "My flesh and my bone," II Sam. 19, 12 (J). עצמי ובשרי
- "Horn of my salvation." II Sam. 22, 3. קרן ישעי
- "The sweet psalmist of Israel," II Sam. 23, 1. נעים זמרות ישראל
- "Every man went his way," I K. 1, 49 (J). וילכו איש לדרבו
- "Bring down his hoary head to the grave," I K. 2, 9 (D). והורדת את־שיבתו בדם שאול
- "Dwelt safely every man under his vine and under his fig tree," I K. 4, 25 (D2).

וישב לבמח איש תהת נפנו ותחת תאנתו

- "A proverb and a byword," I K. 9, 7 (D2). למשל ולשנינה
- "How long halt ye between two opinions?" I K. 18,21.10 עד־מתי אתם פסחים על שתי הסעפים
- 6 Vide, p. 93. ⁷ Vide, p. 96. 8 Vide, p. 89. 10 Vide, p. 158. Vide, p. 134.

"A still small voice," I K. 19, 12 (P). קול רממה דקה

"There the wicked cease from troubling and the weary be at rest," Job 3, 17.

שם רשעים חדלו רגז ושם ינוחו יגיעי כח

" Swifter than a weaver's shuttle," Job 7, 6. קלו מני־ארג

"The shadow of death," Job 10, 21." צלמות

"The king of terrors," Job 18, 14. מלך בלהות

"With the skin of my teeth," Job 19, 20.1^2

"The land of the living," Job 28, 13. ארץ החיים

"My cup runneth over," Ps. 23, 5.

"Wash my hands in innocency," Ps. 26, 6.18 ארחץ בנקיון כפי

"The pen of a ready writer," Ps. 45, 1. עט סופר מהיר

¹¹ Vide, p. 137.

יי In using the phrase "With the skin of my teeth" in such a sentence as "I escaped with the skin of my teeth," we usually mean "I barely escaped." As the passage stands in Job 19, 20, it is usually interpreted to mean "The skin of my teeth or my gums alone escaped disease." (Vide, Rashi). Duhm, however, calls attention to the fact that אור ווי ווי ווי ווי ווי ווי אור ווי "And my teeth have escaped," i. e. "my teeth also are gone." (Vide, Duhm-Marti Series).

18 Vide, p. 142.

- "Wings like a dove," Ps. 55, 6.
 - אבר כיונה
- "From strength to strength," Ps. 84, 7.14
- "As a tale that is told," Ps. 90, 9.
- "To number our days," Ps. 90, 12.
- "At their wit's end," Ps. 107, 27.
- "To dwell together in unity," Ps. 133, 1.
- "Stolen waters are sweet," Prov. 9, 17. מים גנובים ימתקו
- "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick," Prov. 13, 12. תוחלת ממשכה מחלה לב
- "The way of the transgressor is hard," Prov. 13, 15. ררך בגרים איתן
- "Remove not ancient landmarks," Prov. 22, 28. אל-תסג גבול עולם
- "Heap coals of fire upon his head," Prov. 25, 22.15 גחלים אתה חתה על-ראשו
- "Answer a fool according to his folly," Prov. 26, 5. ענה כסיל כאולתו
- "Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein," Prov. 26, 27.
- "Boast not thyself of to-morrow," Prov. 27, 1.
- 14 Vide, p. 1.33.
- ¹⁵ Real meaning is "light," "kindle," instead of "heat." Cf. Ethiopic, "ahtaua."

"Vanity of vanities, all is vanity," Eccl. 1, 2.16

"One generation passeth away and another generation cometh," Eccl. 1, 4.

דרול דררול יחד

דור הלד ודור בא

"There is no new thing under the sun," Eccl. 1, 9. אין כל-חרש תחת השמש

"The wise man's eyes are in his head," Eccl. 2, 14. החכם עיניו בראשו

"To every thing there is a season," Eccl. 3, 1.17

"A living dog is better than a dead lion," Eccl. 9, 4.18 כי לכלב חי הוא טוב מן־האריה המת

"The race is not to the swift," Eccl. 9, 11. לא לקלים המרוץ

"A weariness of the flesh," Eccl. 12, 12.19

"Let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we shall die," Is. 22, 13.

אכול ושתו כי מחר נמות

"Blossom as the rose," Is. 35, 1.

"As a drop of a bucket," Is. 40, 15.20

"Balm in Gilead," Jer. 8, 22.

Vide, p. 141.
 Vide, p. 160.
 Vide, p. 143.
 Vide, p. 142.
 Vide, p. 161.

"They have sown the wind and they shall reap the whirlwind," Hos. 8, 7.

רוח יזרעו וסופתה יקצרו

"The salt of the earth," Mat. 5, 13.

τὸ ἄλας τῆς γῆς

"Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth," Mat. 6, 3.

μη γνώτω ή αριστερά σου τί ποιεϊ ή δεξιά σου

" Ye cannot serve God and mammon," Mat. 6, 24. οὐ δύνασθε Θεῷ δουλεύειν καὶ μαμμωνῷ

"Why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?" Mat. 7, 3.

τί δὲ βλέπεις τὸ κάρφος τὸ ἐν τῷ ὀφθαλμῷ τοῦ ἀδελφοῦ σου, τὴν δὲ ἐν τῷ σῷ ὀφθαλμῷ δοκὸν οὐ κατανοεῖς

Cf.,

שניך מול קיסם מבין עיניך מול קורה מבין עיניך B. B. 15, b.

" Neither cast ye your pearls before swine," Mat. 7, 6. μηδὲ βάλητε τοὺς μαργαρίτας ὑμῶν ἔμπροσθεν τῶν χοίρων

" Seek and ye shall find," Mat. 7, 7.

Cf., "Those that seek me early shall find me," Prov. 8, 17.

" The tree is known by his fruit," Mat. 12, 33. ἐκ γὰρ τοῦ καρποῦ τὸ δενδρὸν γινώσκεται

"A prophet is not without honor save in his own country and in his own house," Mat. 13, 57.

ούκ έστιν προφήτης άτιμος εί μη έν τη πατρίδι αύτου και έν τη οίκία αύτου

" The signs of the times," Mat. 16, 3. τὰ δὲ σημεῖα τῶν καιρῶν

"Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's," Mat. 22, 21.

ἀπόδοτε οὖν τὰ Καίσαρος Καίσαρι καὶ τὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ τῷ Θεῷ

אדם צריך לצאת ידי המקום כדרך שצריך לצית ידי הבריות Sheq.3, 2.

"If a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand," Mk. 3, 25.

έὰν οἰκία ἐφ ἑαυτὴν μερισθῆ οὐ δύναται σταθῆναι ἡ οἰκία ἐκείνη

" On earth peace, good will toward men," Lk. 2, 14. ἐπὶ γῆς εἰρήνη ἐν ἀνθρώποις εὐδοκία

Cf., "Peace to him that is afar," etc., Is. 57, 19. שלום לרחק ולקרוב

Also,

שרום ליה לעילא שלום ליה לתתא (Sohar)

" Physician, heal thyself," Lk. 4, 23. Ἰατρὲ θεράπευσον σεαυτόν

Cf.,

י חגרתך (Berach 20, b)

"The laborer is worthy of his hire," Lk. 10, 7. ἀξιος γὰρ ὁ ἐργάτης τοῦ μισθοῦ αὐτοῦ ἐστιν

" He that is not with me is against me," Lk. 11, 23.
ὁ μὴ ὧν μετ' ἐμοῦ κατ' ἐμοῦ ἐστιν

"He was a burning and a shining light," John 5, 35. ἐκεῖνος ἦν ὁ λύχνος ὁ καιόμενος καὶ φαίνων Cf..

בוצינא דאתרא (B. Rabba)

" The wages of sin," Ro. 6, 23. τὰ ὀψώνια τῆς ἀμαρτίας

"Absent in body but present in spirit," I Cor. 5, 3. $\dot{a}\pi\dot{\omega}\nu$ $\tau\ddot{\varphi}$ $\sigma\dot{\omega}\mu a\tau\iota$ $\pi a\rho\dot{\omega}\nu$ $\delta\dot{e}$ $\tau\ddot{\varphi}$ $\pi\nu\dot{e}\dot{\nu}\mu a\tau\iota$

"Of the earth, earthy," I Cor. 15, 47.

έκ γῆς χοϊκός

Cf., "Dust thou art, unto dust thou shalt return," Gen. 3, 19.

עפר אתה ואל עפר תשוב

" In the twinkling of an eye," I Cor. 15, 52. $\dot{\epsilon}\nu~\dot{\rho}\iota\pi\ddot{\eta}~\dot{\delta}\phi\vartheta\alpha\lambda\mu\sigma\hat{\nu}$

" A thorn in the flesh," II Cor. 12, 7. σ κόλοψ τῆ σ αρκί

Cf., Ezek. 28, 24.

" Every man shall bear his own burden," Gal. 6, 5. ἔκαστος γὰρ τὸ ἰδιον φορτίον βαστάσει

" Labor of love," I Thes. 1, 3. τοῦ κόπου τῆς ἀγάπης

"The root of all evil," I Tim. 6, 10. ῥίξα πάντων τῶν κακῶν

"Unto the pure all things are pure," Titus 1, 15. πάντα μὲν καθαρὰ τοὶς καθαροῖς

" Charity shall cover the multitude of sins," I Pet. 4, 8. ἀγάπη καλύψει πληθος ἀμαρτιῶν

Cf., "Love covereth all sins," Prov. 10, 12.

"Alpha and Omega." Rev. 22, 13.

τὸ 'Α καὶ τὸ 'Ω

Cf., "I am the first and I am the last," Is. 44, 6. אני ראשון ואני אחרון



CHAPTER IV

BIBLICAL EXPRESSIONS IN ENGLISH LITERATURE

The almost daily use of some one or the other of the proverbial passages quoted in the foregoing chapter may be conclusive evidence of the claim that we are under the influence of biblical thought and phraseology, but it is by no means all the evidence available. It forms, in fact, only a comparatively insignificant part of the proof we are in position to cite. All literature, produced in the English language, whether classic or modern. whether poetry or prose, whether in more permanent book form or less permanent journalistic shape, reveals a decided biblical flavor. Every now and then we encounter an idiom or construction believed to be indigenous to English, but which is in reality a biblical exotic, cultivated by us for centuries. In addition to direct loans from Scriptures, we possess any number of expressions formed on the basis of biblical analogy. Some of these, which have struck the writer of this dissertation in the course of cursory reading, will be cited That religious literature, like prayers, hymns and sermons, should come under consideration in this connection is only natural. They will, therefore, be taken up first and be followed by non-religious works. The italicized words are the Hebrew forms for which substitutes are given. Some of the expressions italicized may not seem to some to be Hebrew in character; still the writer preferred to include some doubtful cases in preference to omitting apparent Hebrew expressions. Those which are marked "C" are certainly questionable and may be regarded linguistic coincidences, as Professor Bright properly suggested on consultation.

In the "Book of Common Prayer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States," Philadelphia, we have on

Page 3—" Nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God." Cf. Gen. 4, 16.

i. e. From Almighty God.

Page 4—"Humble heart." Cf. Ps. 51, 17.

i. e. Humility.

"Acknowledge our sins before God."

i. e. To God.

"Meet together." Cf. Neh. 6, 2.

i. e. Meet.

"Throne of the heavenly grace." Cf. Ps. 47, 8.

i. e. God's presence.

"Strayed from thy ways." Cf. Ps. 101, 4.

i. e. Violated right.

"Have followed the devices and desires of our own hearts." Cf. Ps. 37, 4.

i. e. Have pursued evil.

"Have offended against Thy holy laws."

Cf. II Ch. 28, 13.

i. e. Have transgressed.

"There is no health in us." Cf. Ps. 38, 7.

i. e. We have no redeeming trait.

"Have mercy upon us." Cf. Ps. 4, 1.

i. e. Be merciful to us.

"To the glory of Thy holy name." Cf. Ps. 79, 9.

 e. So that Thy holy name may become glorious.

Page 5—" Turn from his wickedness." Cf. Ex. 32, 12.
i. e. Mend his conduct.

In "Temple Melodies," by David E. Jones, New York, 1851, we find that almost every hymn suggests a striking similarity to biblical language. True it is that almost every hymn was inspired by the thought of some psalm, yet it was not absolutely necessary to reproduce the language. Opening the book on page 100, to hymn 259, we find the following expressions, which are nothing else than biblical idioms:

1. "To God in whom I trust

I lift my heart and voice;

i. e. Look and cry. Cf. Lam. 3, 41; Jud. 2, 4.

Oh, let me not be put to shame,

i. e. Be disappointed. Cf. Ps. 44, 7.

Nor let my foes rejoice."

i. e. Triumph. Cf. Ps. 35, 19.

2. "Thy mercies and Thy love

i. e. Kindness. Cf. Ps. 6, 4.

O Lord! recall to mind.

And graciously continue still

As Thou wast ever kind."

3. "Let all my youthful crimes

Be blotted out by Thee, i. e. Forgiven. Cf. Ps. 51. 9.

And Oh! for Thy great goodness sake,

 e. In order that it may redound to Thy goodness. Cf. Ps. 25, 7.

In mercy think on me."

4. "His mercy and His truth

i. e. Faithfulness. Cf. Ps. 40, 10.

The righteous Lord displays

In bringing wandering sinners home

And teaching them His ways."

i. e. The right. Cf. Ps. 86, 11.

As an example of the influence of biblical phraseology on pulpit addresses, let us take one of the sermons of Rev. Phillips Brooks, found in his "Sermons Preached in English Churches," N. Y., 1890. There we meet on

Page 2—"All the skill of all the people" (C). Cf. Dan. 3, 7.
i. e. The whole skill of the entire people.

"God called him up into a high mountain." Cf. Ex. 19, 20.

i. e. To a high mountain.

Page 3—"The host of the Israelites." Cf. Judg. 7, 15. i. e. Israelitish assembly.

Page 6—" God's eye is judging." Cf. Ps. 34, 15. i. e. God is judging.

Page 14—"Live out through his sorrow." i. e. Through his sorrow.

Page 15—"Bent his head." Cf. Is. 60, 14. i. e. Submit.

Page 16—" I would not have that sound to you fanciful and vague, for I am sure that."

i. e. I would not have that sound to you fanciful and vague. I am sure that.

Page 17—" Mountain of the Lord." Is. 30, 29. i. e. Lord's mountain.

Page 19—"In all the world." Cf. Dan. 3, 7. i. e. The whole world.

"In all the ages."

i. e. In all ages.

Shakspeare uses in "The Tempest:"

Act 1, Scene 1—" I would fain die a dry death." Cf. Numb. 23, 10.

i. e. Suffer a dry death.

"Two Gentlemen of Verona:"

Act 3, Scene 1—" Except I be by Sylvia in the night" (C). Cf. Ps. 109, 55; Is. 26, 9. i. e. At night.

¹ Compare Greek, πόμπην πέμπειν, κακίστην δουλείαν έδούλευσεν

"Merry Wives of Windsor:"

Act 1, Scene 1—" My book of songs" (C). Cf. Job 10, 13. i. e. My song book.

"Merchant of Venice:"

Act. 1, Scene 3—"The badge of all our tribe" (C).
i. e. Our whole tribe.

Act 3, Scene 2—"Scylla your father * * * Charybdis your mother" (C). Cf. Is. 51, 2. i. e. Your father Scylla, your mother Charybdis.

"Twelfth Night:"

Act 2, Scene 4—"I am all the daughters of my father's house." Cf. Numb. 2, 2.
i. e. Our family.

"The Winter's Tale:"

Act 4, Scene 3—"A merry heart" (C). Cf. Prov. 17, 22.
i. e. Merriment.

"King John:"

Act 2, Scene 1—"My brother's father" (C). Cf. Gen. 20, 12. i. e. My stepfather.

"King Henry IV," Part 1:

Act 1, Scene 2—"Good names were to be bought" (C). Cf. Eccl. 7, 1.

i. e. Honorable names.

Act 2, Scene 4—"Play out the play" (C). Cf. Ex. 15, 1.
i. e. Finish the play.

"King Henry V:"

Act 4, Scene 3—" This day is called" (C). Cf. Gen. 48, 15. i. e. To-day.

"King Richard III:"

Act 1, Scene 4—" Wages of gold" (C). Cf. Gen. 24, 53. i. e. Gold wages.



Act 4, Scene 4—"Lord's anointed." Cf. I Sam. 16, 6.
i. e. King.

Act 5, Scene 3—"Tower of strength." Cf. II Sam. 22, 51. i. e. Mighty.

"Romeo and Juliet:"

Act 3, Scene 1—"He will make the face of heaven." Cf. Gen. 1, 2.

i. e. Firmament.

" Macbeth:"

Act 5, Scene 5—"It is a tale told" (C). Cf. Ps. 90, 9. i. e. Narrated.

"Hamlet:"

Act 2, Scene 2—"O Jephtha, judge of Israel." Cf. Numb. 25, 5.

i. e. Israelitish judge.

Act 3, Scene 1—"O woe is me!" (C). Cf. Is. 6, 5. i. e. I am in distress.²

If we follow up John Milton's "Paradise Lost" for a few lines, we come across the biblical phrases we have here marked:

Book 1—"That shepherd who first taught the chosen seed." Cf. Ex. 15, 4; Job 7, 15.

i. e. Preferred people.

"And justify the ways of God to man." Cf. Is. 55, 8.
i. e. God's plans.

"But torture without end still urges" (C). Cf. Eccl. 4, 8.

i. e. Endless.

"Back to the gates of heaven" (C). Cf. Gen. 28, 17.
i. e. Gates leading to heaven.

²Mr. Henry E. Shepherd called the author's attention to the following facts: In "Macbeth," Act 1, Scene 6, Banquo's speech is undoubtedly suggested by Psalm 84, 3. In the speech of Cranmer at the close of "Henry VIII," the christening of the infant princess Elizabeth is replete with O. T. imagery and phraseology.

Gray's "Elegy" has in

Stanza 12, verse 3—" The rod of empire." Cf. Ps. 74, 2; Prov. 22, 15.

i. e. Dominion.

Stanza 17, verse 4—" The gates of mercy." Cf. Ps. 118, 19.
i. e. The means to obtain mercy.

"Pope's Essay on Man:"

"But vindicate the ways of God to man." Cf. Is. 55, 8. i. e. God's plans.

"My footstool earth." Cf. Is. 66, 1.

i. e. The place where I stand.

"Whose hand the lightning formed." Cf. Ps. 95, 5.

i. e. Who brings the lightning.

"Who wings the storms." Cf. Ps. 104, 3.

i. e. Raises.

"And little less than angels." Cf. Ps. 8, 5.

i. e. Hardly inferior to.

"And nature humbles to the throne of God." Cf. II Sam. 3, 10.

i. e. God's throne (C).

"Sole judge of truth." Cf. Ps. 50, 6.

i. e. Faithful judge.

"And walks upon the wind." Cf. Ps. 104, 3.

i. e. Reveals himself in the wind.

"Ask your own heart." Cf. Eccl. 2, 1.

i. e. Ask yourself.

Whittier in "Mogg Megone" has:

"Who stands on that cliff like a figure of stone." Cf. Ex. 20, 25.

i. e. A stony figure.

"Steals Harmon down from the sands of York" (C). Cf. Ezr. 6, 11; Dan. 4, 13.

i. e. From.

"With hand of iron and foot of cork." Cf. Ex. 20, 25.

i. e. Iron hand and cork foot.

"The words of my father are very good" (C). Cf. Gen. 2. 9.

i. e. Are very agreeable.

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Francis Bacon, in his "Essay on Death," speaks of "The wages of sin." Cf. Rom. 6, 23.

Thomas Babbington Macaulay, in his essay on "Civil Disabilities of the Jews," uses the word "for" as often used in the Bible where the English sense does not require it. In the Chicago and New York edition, 1866, we have it on page 600:

"The principle that Christians ought to monopolize it has no meaning at all. For no question connected with the ecclesiastical institutions of the country can possibly come before parliament."

On page 602 we read:

"If it is our duty as Christians to exclude the Jews from political power it must be our duty to treat them as our ancestors treated them, to murder them, banish them and rob them. For in that way and in that way alone can we really deprive them of political power."

Disraeli in his essay on the "Poverty of the Learned," N. Y., 1881, says:

Page 83—Left nothing behind him but his reputation." Cf. Gen. 19, 17.

i. e. Left nothing but his reputation.

"Employing the first artists" (C). Cf. Est. 1, 14. i. e. The chief artists.

"He received us with joy" (C). Cf. Deut. 28, 47. i. e. Joyfully.

Carlyle in his essay, "The Signs of the Times," Belford, Clarke & Co., says:

Page 5—"That the evil of the day is sufficient for it." Cf. Mat. 6, 34.

i. e. Misery.

Page 6-"Last day." Cf. Gen. 49, 1.

i. e. Future.

"Since the days of Titus." Cf. Gen. 14, 1.
i. e. Titus' times.

Page 7—"And their places know them no more." Cf. Ps. 103, 16.

i. e. They are forgotten.

"In the heavens." Cf. Gen. 1, 1.

i. e. Heaven.

Page 8-"Discern truly." Cf. I K. 3, 9.

i. e. Understand.

"Look calmly around us for a little." Cf. Job 36, 2.

i. e. A little while.

Page 14—"The land of wonders." Cf. Is. 30, 6.

i. e. Wonderful land.

Page 16-" Healing wings." Cf. Mal. 4, 2.

i. e. Healing.

Page 20—"At this day" (C). Cf. Gen. 26, 33. i. e. To-day.

Page 23—"No tower of brass." Cf. Is. 45, 2.3 i. e. No brass tower.

Page 25—"The song they sing." Cf. Ex. 15, 1.
i. e. The song they intone.

Page 26—"Seduce us into idol worship." Cf. Ezk. 13, 10. i. e. Lead us into.

Ruskin in his "Crown of Wild Olives," N. Y., 1890, says:

Page 5—"Representing a great multitude." Cf. I K. 20, 13. i. e. Constituting a large class.

Page 6—"Speaking from my heart." Cf. Ps. 9, 1. i. e. Sincerely.

Page 10-" A city of work." Cf. Is. 1, 26.

i. e. A toiling city.

"A city of play."

i. e. A playful city.

Page 13—"Play of plays." Cf. Ex. 26, 33; Can. 1, 1.4 i. e. Greatest play.

Adjectives like "brazen," "golden," "wooden," etc., are scarce in Hebrew.

Vide, p. 115.

Page 15—"In this day." Cf. Gen. 26, 33. i. e. To-day.

Page 30—"Do justice to your brother." Cf. Gen. 18, 19.
i. e. Deal justly with your brother.

Page 34—"Baruch the scribe." Cf. Jer. 36, 26.5 i. e. The scribe Baruch.

Page 44—"Putting its trust in its father." Cf. Ps. 73, 28.
i. e Trusting his father.

Emerson in his essay on "History," Phila., 1889, says, on

Page 10—"The claim of claims." Cf. Deut. 10, 17.º i. e. The most important claim.

Page 12—"The lights of the firmament." Cf. Gen. 1, 15. i. e. Stars.

Page 14—" Every soul." Cf. Ex. 1, 5. i. e. Every person.

Page 29—"Beloved in their sight." Cf. Prov. 3, 4.
i. e. Beloved by them.

Page 34—"In the name of God." Cf. Ps. 7, 17. i. e. In God's name.

Page 41—"Shoes of swiftness." Cf. Ps. 120, 4. i. e. Swift shoes.

"Sword of sharpness."

i. e. Sharp sword.

"On the head of her who is faithful."
i. e. On the head of the faithful.

Page 43—"Each market town of Persia, Spain and Britain." Cf. Jer. 9, 11.

> e. Each Persian, Spanish and British market town.

A phrase, formed on the basis of Hebrew analogy, Spencer uses in his "Education," 1890:

Page 29—"This is the question of questions." Cf. Ex. 36, 33; Can. 1, 1.

i. e. This is the most vital question.

⁵ Vide, p. 113.

Tennyson in his "To the Queen" says:

"Take, madam, this poor book of song" (C). Cf. Ex. 24, 7; Josh. 10, 13.

i. e. Poor song-book.

"May children of our children say." Cf. Prov. 17, 6. i. e. Our grandchildren.

In the "Merman" he says:

"With a crown of gold." Cf. Ex. 25, 11.

i. e. Golden crown.

In the "Mermaid" he says:

"With a comb of pearl." Cf. Is. 45, 2.
i. e. A pearl comb.

In the "Lady of Shalott" he says:

"Or is she known in all the land." Cf. Dan. 3, 7.

"The knights came riding two and two" (C). Cf. II Sam. 21, 20.

i. e. Two by two.

In his "Conclusion" he says:

"Has told me words of peace." Cf. Est. 9, 30.
i. e. Soothing words.

Zangwill in one of his short stories, the "Land of Promise," in the recent publication, "They that Walk in Darkness," Phila., 1899, says, on

Page 150—"Leah's face fell." Cf. Gen. 4, 5 and 6.7 i. e. Leah looked distressed.

In an article on "A Day in the President's Life," contributed to Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, August, 1899, occurs the passage:

"It was said that he was raised up by divine power." Cf. I Sam. 2, 8.

i. e. He was chosen by divine power.

⁷ Vide, p. 144.

In an editorial, *Baltimore News*, April 8, 1902, headed, "Dr. Hale at Eighty," we read:

"When a town that prides itself on its reserve as much as Boston, rises up en masse to *call* any particular person *blessed*," etc. Cf. Gen. 30, 13; Ps. 72, 17; Prov. 31, 18.

i. e. Honors any man.

In addition to the foregoing biblical expressions, quoted from the above mentioned authors, many others are in daily use and have no doubt been noted. A few of those encountered are here given:

"Calamity of calamities." Cf. Cant. 1, 1.

i. e. Greatest calamity.

"Like father like son." Cf. Hos. 4, 9.

i. e. Father as well as son.

"Live on wind." Cf. Hos. 12, 1.

i. e. Live on nothing.

"All flesh." Cf. Ps. 145, 21.

i. e. All mankind.

"Ten commandments."
i. e. Ten commandments and prohibitions.

"Respecter of persons." Cf. Lev. 19, 15.

i. e. Partial.

"The fat of the land." Cf. Numb. 13, 20.

i. e. Wealth.

"At your hand." Cf. Is. 1, 12.10

i. e. From you.

"Heavy heart." Cf. Prov. 25, 20.

i. e. Sad.

"God-fearing men." Cf. Ex. 18, 21.

i. e. Conscientious men.

"To do violence." Is. 53, 9.

i. e. To do wrong.

 8 The Hebrew מצוה means both "commandment" and "prohibition."

9 Vide, p. 135.

10 Vide, p. 130.

"From sunrise to sunset." Cf. Ps. 113, 3.

i. e. From morning to evening.

"In the fear of God." Cf. Neh. 5, 9.

i. e. Piously.

"A man of God." Cf. II Chron. 25, 7.

i. e. A preacher.

" To see." Cf. II K. 8, 29.

i. e. To visit.

"Stiff-necked." Cf. Ex. 32, 9.

i. e. Stubborn.

"From strength to strength." Cf. Ps. 84, 7.11

i. e. Continue to get stronger.

" Pour out my heart." Cf. Ps. 62, 8.12

i. e. Tell all my feelings.

"A thorn in his side." Cf. Numb. 33, 55.

i. e. An annoyance.

"Weighed and found wanting." Cf. Dan. 5, 27.

i. e. Tried and condemned.

"Fetters of iron." Cf. Ps. 2, 9.

i. e. Iron fetters.

"Heart of hearts." Cf. Cant. 1, 1.

i. e. The deepest recess of the heart.

"Lengthen the cords." Cf. Is. 54, 2.

i. e. Extend the boundaries.

"Strengthen stakes." Cf. Is. 54, 2.

i. e. Establish permanently.

"Trip of trips." Cf. Cant. 1, 1.

i. e. Finest trip.

"The man after my own heart." Cf. I Sam. 13, 14.
i. e. My ideal.

"To fight a fight." Cf. Numb. 18, 21.13

i. e. To wage a fight.

"Burden of my remarks." Cf. Mal. 1, 1.14

i. e. The substance of my thoughts.

"The living God." Cf. II K. 19, 4.

i. e. The invincible God.

¹¹ Vide, p. 133.

¹² Vide, p. 149.

¹⁸ Vide, p. 113. Cf. Latin "pugnum pugnare."

¹⁴ Vide, p. 96.

- "Sick unto death." Cf. II K. 20, 1.15
 - i. e. Came near dying.
- "Four corners of the earth." Cf. Is. 11, 12.
 - i. e. All directions.
- "Growing fat and kicking." Cf. Deut. 32, 15.
 - i. e. Succeeding and becoming rebellious.
- "Flowing with milk and honey." Cf. Numb. 13, 27.
- "Fall by the sword." Cf. Numb. 14, 3.
 - i. e. Killed in battle.
- "They are bread to us." Cf. Numb. 14, 9.16
 - i. e. They are easy for us to conquer.
- "With the edge of the sword." Cf. Judg. 1, 8.17
 - i. e. Putting its inhabitants to the sword (P.B).
- "Piece of bread." Cf. I Sam. 2, 36.
 - i. e. Food.
- "Root of the matter." Cf. Job 19, 28.
 - i. e. The cause.
- "A mother in Israel." Cf. Judg. 5, 7.
 - i. e. A true Israelitish woman.
- "Cast thy lot among us."
 - i. e. Thou shalt have an equal share with us.
- "Set the face against that man."
 - i. e. Attack the man.
- "Cut him off from among his people."
 - i. e. Kill him.
- "Way of darkness." Cf. Prov. 2, 14.
 - i. e. Way leading to shame.
- "Way of life."
 - i. e. Way leading to success

Many other expressions in daily use, if carefully examined, may be traced to the Bible. While the expressions encountered may not always be contained in the Scriptures in the exact form in which they appear, a glance will show them in many instances to be based

on Hebrew models. For the purpose in hand in this chapter, those which have been cited will suffice. It may, however, be well to call attention to still another fact of interest in this connection. Mr. Oliphant, an authority on English already quoted, remarks that the word "bedchamber," occurring in Shakspeare's "Cymbeline," was no doubt brought into English by the Bible, an observation which holds good in numerous other instances.



CHAPTER V

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HEBRAISMS AND ENGLISH ARCHAISMS

Before discussing the Hebraisms of the A. V. and giving a list of them as appearing in the text of 1611, it is necessary to call attention to two points:

- 1. Not all expressions which seem strange to us, speaking modern English, are to be regarded as Hebraisms.
- 2. Biblical books, the original text of which is other than Hebrew, are not to be considered free from Hebraisms.

The first of these points will be proven in this chapter, the second in a subsequent chapter.

There are certain expressions occurring and re-occurring in the A. V. which are only biblical but by no means Hebrew, and any number of others which must be put down as English archaisms.

(a) Examples of expressions biblical and yet not Hebraisms:

"Well stricken in age," Gen. 18, 11. The Hebrew text reads באים בימים.

literal rendering of which would be "advancing in days."

"Give up the ghost," Gen. 25, 8.
The Hebrew Bible says ויגוע.

which Leeser translates "And he departed."

¹ Vide, p. 81.

"Held his peace," Gen. 34, 5.
The Hebrew rendering is והחריש.

which means, " And he caused to be silent." $^{2}\,$

"Three score years and ten," Ps. 90, 10.

The M text has שבשים which means "seventy." The expression, "three score years and ten" reminds us of the French "soixante-dix."

Of all the earlier English versions only the Wickliffe texts, as edited by the Oxford University press, were available for comparison. The difference of expression between the Wickliffe texts and those of the A. V. may be taken as proof that these biblical expressions are Elizabethan in origin. For "Well stricken in age" we find the following readings: "Bothe oold and of greet age" and "Bothe weren olde and of greet age."

For "Give up the ghost" we find "And failynge" and "He failide."

For "Held his peace" we have the two readings, "Heelde his pees" and "Was still."

For "three score years and ten" we find "In the scuenti."

The English archaisms, encountered by the reader in the text of the A. V., are recognized in the use of obsolete words; the strange connotation of terms still employed; the occasional introduction of the word "even" when the M text does not warrant it; prepositions with adverbs of place when prepositions are already implied in the adverbs; the personal pronoun when the impersonal is expected; the relative "which" when referring

²Literally, "He made silence." Cf. Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 53, d. Pliny uses the phrase "Silentium facere." Cf. Silentium fieri, silentium agere.

to persons; the frequentative past when the plain past is looked for; "do" as an auxiliary; "am" for "have;" "shall" for "will," and the subjunctive mood as distinct from the indicative.

(b) Examples of Archaisms.

- Gen. 1, 30-Meat; i. e. food.
 - 3, 14-Above; i. e. more than.
 - 6, 2-Which; i. e. whom.
 - 12, 12-Shall; i. e. will.
 - 12, 13-I pray thee; i. e. please.
 - 13. 8-We be brethren; i. e. we are brethren.
 - 18. 5-Are ye come; i. e. have ye come.
 - 24, 11-Even: i. e. that is.
 - 24, 12—Send me good speed; i. e. let me meet with success.
 - 33, 15-What needeth it; i. e. what's the use of it.
 - 37, 32-Know now whether; i. e. see now whether.
 - 6—Goodly person and well favoured; i. e. graceful and dutiful.
 - 42. 2-From thence: i. e. thence.
 - 43, 25-Against Joseph came; i. e. for.
 - 46, 31-Shew; i. e. tell.
- Ex. 3, 8—I am come; i. e. I have come.
 - 7, 15—Against he come; i. e. to meet him.
 - 13, 15—Would hardly let us go; i. e. refused to let us go.
 - 13, 19—Had straitly sworn; i. e. emphatically sworn.
 - 13, 20-Took their journey; i. e. journeyed.
 - 14, 10-Were sore afraid; i. e. were much afraid.
 - 16, 3-To the full; i. e. sufficiently.
 - 17, 2—The people did chide; i. e. the people chid.
 - 22, 2—If a thief be found breaking up; i. e. breaking in.
 - 34, 23-Men children; males.
 - 36, 33-To shoot through; i. e. to extend.
 - Lev. 1,15-Wrung out; i. e. drained out (P. B.).
 - 2, 1-Meat offering; i. e. cereal offering (P.B.)
 - 4—An oblation of a meat offering; i. e. cereal offering.

- 3, 9-Hard by; i. e. close to.
- 8, 7-Curious; i. e. skillfully wrought (P.B.).
- Numb. 20, 8—His water; i. e. its water.
- Deut. 11, 10-From whence; i. e. whence.
 - 17, 11-Decline; i. e. deviate.
 - 22, 30-Discover; i. e. lay bare or remove.
 - 26. 6-Evil entreated us: i. e. mistreated.
 - 30, 18-Denounce; i. e. announce.
- Josh. 5, 8—Till they were whole; i. e. till they recover.
 - 7, 13—Against to-morrow; i. e. for to-morrow.
 - 18, 6—Describe the land; i. e. draw a plan of the land.
 - Judg. 1, 34-Would not suffer; i. e. would not permit.
 - 9,51—Gat them up; i. e. went up.
 - 11, 18—Compassed the land; i. e. made a circuit of the land.
 - Ruth 2, 10—Take knowledge; i. e. take notice.
 - 4, 4—To advertise thee; i. e. to disclose it unto thee.
- I Sam. 1, 5-Worthy portion; i. e. precious portion.
 - 9, 25—Communed; i. e. conferred.
 - 14, 8—Discover ourselves; i. e. make ourselves known.
 - 15, 32—Delicately; i. e. cheerfully (R. V.).
 - 18, 30—Was much set by; i. e. was highly prized.
 - 19, 4-Theeward; i. e. thee.
 - IK. 3, 21—Considered it; i. e. examined it.
 - 17, 12—Dress; i. e. prepare.
 - 22, 10—Void place; i. e. open place.
 - II K. 3, 9—Fetched a compass of seven days' journey;i. e. journeyed in a circle for seven days.
 - 5, 3-Recover him; i. e. restore him.
 - 15, 5—Several house; i. e. quarantine.
 - I Ch. 4, 40—Of old; i. e. formerly.
 - 16, 3—Flesh; i. e. meat.
- II Ch. 28, 25—Every several city; i. e. every single city.
 - Est. 3, 6—He thought scorn; i. e. he was very angry. Job 19, 19—Inward friends; i. e. confidential friends.
 - Ps. 18, 18—Prevented me; i. e. confronted me.

- 55, 15-Quick into hell; i. e. alive into hell.
- 67, 2-Thy saving help; i. e. thy effective help.
- 78, 41—Limited the Holy One; i. e. provoked the Holy One (R. V.).
- 118, 13-Thrust sore at me; i. e. violently attacked me.
- Is. 1, 13—Cannot away with; i. e. cannot bear.
 - 2, 4-Judge among; i. e. judge between.
 - 3, 5-Ancient; i. e. old man.
 - 3, 24-Rent; i. e. rope (R. V.).
- Jer. 24, 2-Naughty figs; i. e. poor figs.
- Ezek. 18, 25-Equal; i. e. proper.
 - Dan. 4, 16-Times; i. e. seasons.
 - Hos. 5, 2—Are profound to make slaughter; i. e. have gone deep, etc. (R. V.).
 - Hab. 2, 10—Consulted shame to thy house; i. e. brought shame.

The cases cited are only a few of the many archaisms which may be met with in the text of the A. V. A point worthy of special emphasis is the fact that great precaution must be taken in distinguishing between Hebraisms and archaisms. William Aldis Wright, frequently consulted by the writer, goes to the other extreme in his "Bible Word Book," London, 1884, of regarding every phrase, which is strange to persons speaking modern English, as archaic. Persons may easily be led to suppose that because an expression is not Hebrew it must be archaic. Such, however, is not the case. There are other elements in the English Bible besides the Hebrew and archaic. All texts in existence at the time the A. V. was made, were consulted, and the spirit of the languages, in which each of these was written, left its impress on the English text. Thus, for example, the Luther version, frequently consulted by the company of English translators, may be responsible for Germanisms. The expression "good courage," Deut.

31, 6, is certainly a reproduction of the German phrase "Guten Muthes." The fact that Germanisms abound in the A. V. was shown in a paper recently read by Rev. J. Hofman before the Johns Hopkins Philological Association. The paper in question is the basis of a dissertation on Germanisms in the A. V., to appear in the near future.

CHAPTER VI

HEBRAISMS IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

That biblical books, the original text of which is other than Hebrew, are not to be considered free from Hebraisms (a fact mentioned above) is the point to be considered and proved in the ensuing chapter. The books referred to are those constituting the N. T. Written, as the N. T. is, in Greek, it is not the Greek of the classics. Upon examination the language shows itself to be a Hebrew Greek dialect. We find not only terms used in the special sense of many Hebrew words, but also the use of the Greek article, pronouns, prepositions, numerals, cases of nouns, tenses of verbs, syntactical constructions, and idioms based on Hebrew analogy. the translation of proper names one may recognize the influence of Hebrew. That the writers of the N. T. literature should employ a Greek with a distinctly Hebrew flavor is not surprising, when we bear in mind that they were for the most part natives of Palestine, made the O. T. the basis of their thought and utterances, quoted extensively from Pentateuch, Prophets and Hagiographa, and used Semitic dialects in their intercourse with one another, not to mention that many were born Jews. And had the writers used classic Greek it is questionable whether the people, whom they sought to reach, would have understood them. Blass says in his Grammar of the N. T., 1896:

"The national Hebrew or Aramaic element influenced Greek-writing Jews in a three-fold manner. In the first place it is possible that the speaker or writer, altogether

involuntarily or unconsciously, translated a phrase of his mother tongue by an exact corresponding phrase; again, that the reading and hearing of the O. T. in the Greek translation formed the writer's style, especially if he wanted to write in a solemn and dignified manner (just as profane writers borrowed phrases for a similar object from Attic writers); and finally a great portion of the N. T. writings (the first three Gospels and the first part of Acts) is to all appearances a direct working over of Hebrew or Aramaic materials. This was not a translation like that of the G, rendered word for word, with the greatest faithfulness and almost without regard to intelligibility, but it was convenient to adhere also in expression to the existing material instead of searching for good Greek expressions. The Hebraisms and Aramaisms are for the most part lexicographical; that is, they consist of the meaning which is attributed to a word (σκάνδαλον is the rendering of מכשול in the ethical sense, σκανδαλίζειν) or of a literally rendered and thence phrase (e. g. προσωπονλαμβάνειν נשא פנים to respect the person; therefore προσωπολήμπτης-λημψία); these expressions, which are not numerous, must have been current in Jewish and later in Christian communities. province of grammar there occurs a series of peculiarities in the use of prepositions, consisting partly of superfluous circumlocution; e. g. ἀρέσκειν ἐνώπιόν τινος instead of τινί, πρὸ προσώπου τῆς εἰσόδου αὐτοῦ 'before him;' partly in an extended use of certain prepositions, such as ἐν (ἐπί) on the basis of the analogy of the Hebrew 2; also in the use of the article and the pronouns much has been carried over, to which must be added periphrasis for the simple tense by means of in etc., with the participle, and other examples."

Another quotation of force in this connection is Blass's remark on page 2 of the Introduction to his Grammar:

"Undoubtedly the Greek translators of the O. T. show a great affinity of language, but their translations are slavishly literal; no one ever spoke so, not even the Jewish translators."

In the subsequent pages of the book, where Blass discusses the grammar of the N. T. Greek, he illustrates by the citation of numerous examples the Hebrew lexicographical and syntactical influence. A number of these examples are here instanced. Bearing this influence in mind we can readily realize how the English of the N. T., as well as that of the O. T., should contain Hebraisms, although the N. T. is written in Greek. I here use the term Hebraism in the wider sense of Semitic idiom.

Blass regards as Hebrew in character the following:

λαὸς περιούσιος (T 2, 14) "a people peculiar;" i. e. עם סגלה (Bl. p. 64).

τὶ ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί (Mt 8, 29 etc.) "What have we to do with thee;" i. e. לי ולך (Judg. 11, 12) (Bl. p. 73).

μακάριος ἀνὴρ ὁς (Ja. 1, 12) "Blessed is the man who;" i. e. (Ps. 1, 1) (Bl. p. 73).

ίλεως σοι (Mt 16, 22) εἰρήνη ὑμῖν "Favorable to thee;" i. e. שלום לך (Bl. p. 74).

εὐλογητὸς ὁ θεός (II Cor. 1, 3) " Blessed be God;" i. e. ברוך אלהים (Ps. 66, 20) (Bl. p. 74).

ולסט " Behold;" i. e. הנה (Bl. p. 74).

The use of the feminine instead of the neuter gender:

E. g. παρὰ κυρίου ἐγένετο αὐτη καί ἐστιν θανμαστή (Mt 21, 42) "From the Lord was this and it is wonderful;" i. e. הארו (Bl. p. 82).

The use of the plural in some substantives:

E. g. εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰῶτων (G 1, 5) "to the ages of the ages;" i. e. טעולמים

oùpavoí "heaven;" i. e. שמים.

οίκτιρμοί "mercy;" i. e. רחמים (Bl. p. 83).

έν (είς) (Mt 5, 34); i. e. \(\textstyle \text{(Bl. p. 87).}\)

τι ἀπό τινος (Mt 11, 25) ἀπὸ σοφῶν; i. e. β (Bl. p. 90).

όδὸν θαλάσσης (Mt 4, 15); i. e. פרך (Bl. p. 93).

Verbs of superiority and rulership taking the genitive:

E. g. $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\dot{\imath}$ $\tau\tilde{\eta}s$ $\gamma\tilde{\eta}s$ (Rev. 5, 10); $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\dot{\imath}$ $\tau\iota\nu a$ (Lk. 1, 33); i. e. מלך על (Bl. p. 103) "over the earth."

Dative of possession:

E. g. ἐὰν γένηται ἀνδρὶ ἐτέρ ω (R. 7, 3); i. e. היה לֹאיש (Bl. p. 109) "if she be to another man."

Dative of companionship:

E. g. πόλεμον ποιείν μετά τινος (Rev. 11, 7); i. e. Δυ (Bl. p. 111) "make war with any one."

Dative of means or instrument:

E. g. ¿δόῷ; i. e. הלך לדרכו (Bl. p. 116).

γάμφ γαμεῖν "in real wedlock."

φυγῆ φεύγειν "to flee quickly" cf. form like מות ימות (Bl. p. 111).

Locative dative:

Confusion of:

 $\epsilon i \varsigma$ and $\dot{\epsilon} \nu$; i. e. \supset (Bl. p. 120).

τῷ σῷ ὀνόματι; i. e. משם (Bl. p. 121).



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Prepositions with genitive:

E. g. מושר (L 1, 20); i. e. אשר תחת (Bl. p. 122).

מֹל־כן (ibid.). αντὶ τούτου (Ε 5, 31); i. e. על־כן

ἀπό; i. e. ነው (Bl. p. 123).

έκ μέσου; i. e. מתוך (Bl. p. 126).

πρὸ προσώπου; i. e. ἀΕί (ibid.).

έκ χειρός τινος; i. e. מיד (Bl. p. 127).

Prepositions with dative:

Of $\dot{\epsilon}_{\nu}$ Blass says, on page 127: "The use of $\dot{\epsilon}_{\nu}$ is extended by the imitation of the Hebrew construction with \beth . It signifies instrumentality and also personal action."

Cardinal numbers:

The Hebrew אחד is a model for the N. T. omission of the article.

E. g. θεός, κύριος (J 3, 2); i. e. הוה (Bl. p. 144).

έθνη; i. e. נוים (Bl. p. 145).

πᾶσα σάρξ (Mt. 24, 22); i. e. כל בשר (Bl. p. 158).

δρκον δν ωμοσεν instead of τοῦ δρκου οὖ (L. 1, 73); i. e. מקום אישר (Bl. p. 171).

Pleonastic position of personal pronoun after a relative:

ο̃που · · · ἐκεῖ (Ap. 12, 6); i. e. שם (Bl. p. 171).

דו meaning "how" (Mt. 7, 14); i. e. מה (Bl. p. 173).

"No one" usually οὐδείς or μηδείς is in the N. T. οὐ (μὴ) · · · πᾶς (Mt. 24, 22); i. e. $\frac{1}{2}$ · · · · $\frac{1}{2}$.

 $\pi \tilde{a}_{\varsigma} \cdots o \dot{v}$; i. e. אל C (Bl. p. 174).

έλάλησεν λέγων like ἔκραξεν λέγων or ἀπεκρίθη λέγων; i. e. ידבר (Bl. p. 227).

This really means, "He said speaking" instead of "He spoke saying."

Pleonastic usage of participle:

E. g. ἀναστάς (L. 15, 18); i. e. Δηρ.

πορευθείς (Mt. 25, 16); i. e. הלך (Bl. p. 243).

εί after an oath (Mk. 8, 12); i. e. ΣΝ (Bl. p. 266).

Parallelisms:

On page 293 of his Grammar, Blass says: "In the N. T., antithesis and other parallelisms are developed to a marked degree, not only in the letters of Paul, but also in the Apostles; more especially in Matthew and Luke. In the latter, viz.: Matthew and Luke, this is the case, on account of the classical Hebrew epigrammatic style; in the letters of Paul as the outlet of dialectics and rhetoric."

CHAPTER VII

LEXICOGRAPHICAL HEBRAISMS

Inasmuch as a Hebraism is the exact rendering of the Hebrew idiom in English, we find that Hebraisms of the Bible may be classified under two heads:

- (a) Lexicographical Hebraisms.
- (b) Syntactical Hebraisms.

A lexicographical Hebraism is the literal rendering into English of a Hebrew word or combination of Hebrew words, thus giving to the English equivalents usage and connotation, which from our point of view they do not warrant.

A syntactical Hebraism is the preservation in English of the order of parts of speech, phrases and clauses, as customary in Hebrew, although English syntax may not sanction it.

Our intention in the ensuing chapters is to discuss a number of distinct Hebraisms, both lexicographical and syntactical, selected from various parts of the Bible.

(a) Some Lexicographical Hebraisms.

In this chapter attention will be called to single words like nouns, adjectives, verbs and other parts of speech,

יור may be of interest to have a similar influence of the Hebrew text on the Greek and Latin versions indicated by the citation of an example. Ps. 122,3: מעיר שחברה לה יי לה G renders $\dot{\omega}_{\zeta}$ $\pi \dot{\sigma} \lambda \iota \iota_{\zeta}$, $\dot{\eta}$ $\dot{\eta}$ $\mu \epsilon \tau \sigma \chi \dot{\eta}$ $a \dot{\nu} \tau \bar{\eta} \dot{\varsigma}$ and J "ut civitas cujus participatio ejus." The construction אשר $\dot{\zeta}$ $\dot{\zeta$

which, in the English translation, preserve the original meaning of the word, instead of giving the derived meanings really intended by the text; and hence belong to the lexicographical class. The passages cited are but single instances oft recurring in the Scriptures.

Many of the books of the Bible are composite in structure. This is especially so in the case of the Pentateuch, and the books known as the Earlier Prophets (including Joshua, Judges, I and II Samuel, I and II Kings, and I and II Chronicles). The various component elements are the products of different writers. These pre-existent documents are: (a) the Judaic document, (J), called so because the product of the Judaic or Southern Kingdom; (b) the Ephraimitic document, (E), because written in Ephraim or the Northern Kingdom; (c) the Priestly document, (P), treating especially of the priestly functions and ceremonial, and including the Law of Holiness, (H) (the oldest structure of the priestly code); and (d) the Deuteronomic Code (D), the original portion of which was discovered in the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the great reformer of Judah, 621 B. C. The letters D, H, J, P, used heretofore and to be used in subsequent pages, are employed in the sense in which the Higher Critics use them.

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D stands for Deuteronomy which originated about 621 B.C.
D2 for later additions to D
                                                       550 B. C.
                                "
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E for Ephraimitic document
                                                       750 B. C.
E2 for later additions to E
                                                       650 B.C.
J for Judaic document
                                                       850 B.C.
J2 for later additions to J
                                                       650 B.C.
JE for combination of J and E "
                                         66
                                                  66
                                                       640 B.C.
H for Law of Holiness
                                                       570 B. C.
                                ..
P for Priestly document
                                                       500 B.C.
P2 for later additions to P
                                                  bet. 440-400 B. C.
M for Midrashic elements
R for Redactor or Editor.
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A. Nouns

- 1. "Flesh" (בשר) signifies:
 - a. muscles, fat and other tissues, covering the bones of man and other animals.
 - "Well favored kine and fat-flesh." Gen. 41, 2 (E).
 - b. meat.
 - "The flesh that toucheth." Lev. 7, 19 (P).
 - c. body.
 - "The hair of my flesh." Job 4, 15.
 - d. kinsman.
 - "He is our brother and our flesh." Gen. 37, 27 (J2).2
 - e. creatures (including animals).
 - "The end of all flesh is come before me." Gen. 6, 13 (P).
 - e. I have decided to exterminate all living creatures.
 - f. mankind.
 - "All flesh shall see it." Is. 40, 5.
 - g. Pudenda viri.
 - "Running issue out of his flesh." Lev. 15, 2, 3 and 7 (P).
 - i. e. Inflammatory discharge from his urethra (gonorrhœa).
- 2. "Blood" (DT).
 - a. fluid in arteries and veins.
 - "The people did eat them with the blood." I Sam. 14, 32 (J).
 - b. murder.
 - "Conceal his blood." Gen. 37, 26 (J2).
 - c. blood-guiltiness.
 - "Bring not blood upon thy house." Deut. 22, 8 (D).
 - d. innocent person.
 - "Thou sin against innocent blood. I Sam. 19, 5 (E).
 - e. blood stains, cf. P. B.
 - "Purge the blood of Jerusalem." Is. 4, 4.

² Cf. Assy. bišru.

- f. relative.
 - "Between blood and blood." II Chron. 19, 10.
- g. juice.
 - "The blood of grapes." Gen. 49, 11 (J).

It would not be at all surprising if the well-known English proverb, "Blood is thicker than water," meaning that blood relationship is a strong claim upon one's sympathies, was inspired by the scriptural use of "blood" in the sense of "relative" or "kinsman."

- 3. "Head" (אש).
 - a. a part of the body.
 - "It shall bruise thy head." Gen. 3, 15 (J).
 - b. leader.
 - "Wast thou not made the head of the tribes?" I Sam. 15, 17 (E).
 - c. the beginning of a stream.
 - "Became into four heads." Gen. 2, 10 (J^2) .
 - i. e. Divided itself into four branches.
 - d. instead of personal pronoun.
 - "Take away thy master from thy head." II K. 2, 3.4

³ Gen. 3, 15, "It shall crush thy head and thou shalt bruise his heel" is by the church regarded the protevangelium, first biblical announcement of the Gospel on account of the church's allegorical interpretation of this incident. It has, however, no more reference to the Virgin Mary because of the use of "ipsa" in J than it has to Christ. Even such men as Strack (Strack—Zoeckler Kom), Holzinger (Marti Series) and Gunkel (Nowack Series) surprisingly cling to the protevangelium despite their critical attitude on other parts of the Scriptures.

⁴This phrase, as Professor Haupt suggests, is as pregnant with meaning as the English phrase, "high-handed act," and the German phrase, "Jemand etwas vor der Nase wegnehmen."

4. " Face " (פנים).

- a, front of the head.
 - "And every one had four faces." Ezek. 1, 6.
- b. in place of personal pronoun.
 - "Laid before their faces all these words." Ex. 19, 7 (RJE).
- c. front of an object.
 - "The breadth of the face of the house." Ezek. 41, 14.
- d. surface.
 - "Upon the face of the waters." Gen. 1, 2 (P).

5. " Mouth " (กอ).

- a. organ of speech.
 - "Lay their hand upon their mouth." Mi. 7, 16.
- b. speech.
 - "Who hath made man's mouth." Ex. 4, 11 (J).
- c. testimony.
 - "At the mouth of two witnesses." Deut. 17, 6 (D).
- d. boast.
 - "Where is now thy mouth?" Judg. 9, 38 (J).
- e. statement.
 - "I have opened my mouth unto the Lord." Judg. 11, 35 (E).
- f. unanimity (if preceded by "one").
 - "Declare unto the king with one mouth." I K. 22, 13.
- g. through.
 - "By the mouth of Jeremiah." Ezr. 1, 1.
- h. dictation.
 - "Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah." Jer. 36, 4.
- i. instead of personal pronoun when used figuratively. "Thy mouth hath testified." II Sam. 1, 16 (E).
- j. opening (when used figuratively).
- "The stone from the well's mouth." Gen. 29, 3 (J²).

- 6. "Eye" (עין).
 - a. organ of body.
 - "See not the ground with his eyes." Ezek. 12, 12.
 - b. forehead.
 - "For a memorial between thine eyes." Ex. 13, 9 (D).
 - c. intent.
 - "His eye shall be evil toward his brother." Deut. 28, 54 (D).
 - d. attention.
 - "Let them not depart from thy eyes." Prov. 4, 21.
 - e. guide or betrayer.
 - "Thou mayest be to us instead of eyes." Numb. 10, 31 (JE).
 - f. instead of reflexive pronoun.
 - "My eyes even seeing it." I K. 1, 48.

7. " Voice" (קול).

- a. human utterance.
 - "The voice is Jacob's voice." Gen. 27, 22 (E).
- h sound
 - "Heard the voice of your words." Deut. 1, 34 (D2).5
- c. advice.
 - "Hearkened to the voice of Sarai." Gen. 16, 2 (J2).
- d. allowed.
 - "God answered him by a voice." Ex. 19, 19 (JE).
- 8. "Hand" (יד).
 - a. organ of body.
 - "Hands of Esau." Gen. 27, 22 (E).
 - b. power.
 - "Behold thy maid is in thy hand." Gen. 16, 6 (J2).
 - c. leadership.
 - "Under the hand of Moses." Numb. 33, 1 (P).

⁵ In the familiar passage Gen. 3, 8, J יישטו את־קול יהוה translators of A. V. understood "voice of the Lord walking" to mean "voice of the Lord calling them," whereas the meaning of the Hebrew really is, "the sound of his footsteps."

- d. supervision.
 - "All that he had in Joseph's hand." Gen. 39, 6 (E).
- e. possession.
 - "In whose hand the cup is found." Gen. 44, 17 (J).
- f. blow.
 - "Die under his hand." Ex. 21, 20 (E).
- g. violence. Cf. P. B.
 - "Cast down with the hand." Is. 28, 2.
- h. external influence.
 - "Was cut out without hands." Dan. 2, 34.
- i. instead of personal pronoun.
 - "Who hath required this at your hand." Is. 1, 12.

9. "Heart" (לב or or).

The Gesenius-Buhl Dictionary of the O. T. states that the Hebrew discussed in the Bible:

- 1. As seat of life.
- 2. Centre of spiritual life.
- 3. Seat of will.
- 4. Centre of the moral life.
- 5. In the sense of middle. In Assyrian "libbu" is often used in this manner.

In the light of this explanation the justification of the following senses is patent:

- a. breast.
 - "The breastplate upon his heart." Ex. 28, 29 (P).
- b. for personal pronoun.
 - "My heart rejoiceth in the Lord." I Sam. 2, 1.
- c. for reflexive pronoun (if used figuratively).
 - "If thou shalt say in thy heart." Deut. 7, 17 (D). i. e. If you yourself think so.
- d. wish.
 - "That which is in mine heart." I Sam. 2, 35 (RD).
- e. judgment.
 - "An understanding heart." I K. 3, 9.
- f. motive.
 - "Clean hands and a pure heart." Ps. 24, 4.

g. mind.

"Kept the matter in my heart." Dan. 7, 28.

h. spirit.

"My heart and my flesh crieth out." Ps. 84, 2.

i. desire.

"Seek not after your own heart." Numb. 15, 39 (P).

j. courage.

"Let no man's heart fail." I Sam. 17, 32 (E).

k. excitement.

"While his heart is hot." Deut. 19, 6 (D).

1. affections.

"Stole the hearts of the men." II Sam. 15, 6 (J).

m. middle.

"In the heart of the sea." Ex. 15, 8 (RJ).

10. " Soul" (נפש). ⁶

a. life.

"My soul was precious in thine eyes." I Sam. 26, 21 (E).

b. head.

"The stream had gone over our souls." Ps. 124, 4.

c. person.

"And all the souls that came." Ex. 1, 5 (P).

d. for personal pronoun.

"My soul shall live." Gen. 19, 20 (J).

e. for reflexive pronoun.

"Keep thy soul diligently." Deut. 4, 9 (D^2).

11. "Father" (אב).

a. male parent.

"A man leave his father." Gen. 2, 24 (J).

b. ancestor.

"Brought your fathers out." I Sam. 12, 6 (E).

Original meaning of נפש והיים is "breath," "wind." Cf. מלים תלהם "his breath kindleth coals," Job 41, 21. Cf. also Eth. naffâs "wind" and Arab. "airhole."

- c. first of a class.
 - "Father of all such as handle." Gen. 4, 21 (J).
- d. benefactor.
 - "A father to the poor." Job 29, 16.
- e. advisor.
 - "A father to Pharaoh." Gen. 45, 8 (E).
- 12. "Son" (נבן).
 - a. male child.
 - "And bare a son." Ex. 2, 2 (E).
 - b. boy.
 - "My beloved among the sons." Cant. 2, 3.
 - c. member of a guild.
 - "Sons of the prophets." II K. 2, 15.7
 - d. descendant.
 - "Ordinance to thee and thy sons." Ex. 12, 24 (J).
 - e. train
 - "Arcturus with his sons." Job 38, 32.
- 13. "Daughter" (בת).
 - a. female child.
 - "Daughter of Pharaoh." Ex. 2, 5 (E).
 - b. maidens.
 - "Daughters of Jerusalem." Cant. 1, 5.
 - c. town.
 - "Let the daughters of Judah be glad." Ps. 48, 11.
 - d. communities. Cf. PB.
 - "Daughters of Moab." Is. 16, 2.
 - e. sons (when used with names of cities).
 - "Daughter of Babylon." Ps. 137, 8.9

⁷ Prophecy was a profession handed down from father to son. Cf. Diodorus of Sicily, 2, 91 παὶς παρὰ πατρὸς διαδέχεται Cf. also use of Assy. mâru "child" and binu "son" (Del. Assy. Dict.)

⁶Cf. R. V., "The bear with her train." "Arcturus" is Ursa Major. Several distinguished exegetes refer it to Alcyone, the brightest star among the Pleiades.

This is simply due to the fact that the feminine in Hebrew is used as collective noun. 72 daughter for sons."

14. "Brother" (הא).

- a. children of the same parent.
 - "Simeon and Levi are brethren." Gen. 49, 5 (J).
- b. relative.
 - "His brother Lot." Gen. 14, 16 (P2).
- c. fellow countrymen.
 - "Is there never a woman among the daughters of thy brethren?" Judg. 14, 3.
- d. friend.
 - "And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, whence be ye?" Gen. 29, 4.
- e. member of the same caste.
 - "Shall minister with their brethren." Numb. 8, 26 (P).
- f. like.
 - "I am a brother to dragons." Job 30, 29.

15. "Burden" (משא).

- a. task.
 - "Get you unto your burdens." Ex. 5, 4 (JE).
- b. hardship.
 - "Looked on their burdens." Ex. 2, 11 (E).
- c. responsibility.
 - "Thou layest the burden of all this people upon me." Numb. 11, 11.
- d. oracle. Cf. P. B.10
 - "Burden of Babylon." Is. 13, 1.

Cf. מכשרת "a company of messengers;" lit. a female messenger; also Gr. $\dot{\eta}$ $i\pi\pi\sigma\varsigma$ for oi $i\pi\pi\sigma\iota$, vide Ges. Heb. Gram. par. 122 s.; P. B. Hebrew text of Ezek. 182a Rem. 45, 14.

າວ ຄະກວ is often used in the sense of reciting. ຄະກວ means recitation, which the Ancient Versions translate "burden." When A. V. translates າວ ການ Numb. 23, 7 (JE), "he took up his parable," the real meaning is "he recited his poetry." Murray in his New English Dictionary remarks: ຄະກວ burden, used in the English Bible, like "onus" in the Vulgate. G has $\dot{\rho}\bar{\eta}\mu a$, $\delta\bar{\eta}\rho\mu a$, $\delta\rho\rho\mu a$. But it is generally taken in English to mean a burdensome or heavy lot, or fate.

- e. substance.
 - "The burden of the word." Mal. 1, 1.
- 16. "Day" (יום).
 - a. daytime, in contradistinction to night. Cf. Arab.

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"It is yet high day." Gen. 29, 7 (J2).

- b. period covering twenty-four hours.
- "Day by day there came." I Chron. 12, 22.
- c. occasion.
 - "Day of my distress." Gen. 35, 3 (E).
- d. life.
 - "In the days of Abraham." Gen. 26, 1 (JE).
- e. term
 - "My days are fulfilled." Gen. 29, 21 (J2).
- f. age.
 - "Days should speak." Job 32, 7.
- Cf. Hebrew expressions like בא בימים Gen. 18, 11; Josh. 23, 1, rendered "well stricken in age," i. e. advanced in age or days.
 - 17. " End" (אחרית or אחרית).
 - a. extremity.
 - "In the end of his field." Gen. 23, 9 (P).
 - b. fate.
 - "Then understood I their end." Ps. 73, 17.
 - c. extermination.
 - "End of all flesh." Gen. 6, 13 (P).
 - d. finally.
 - "His latter end shall be that he perish forever." Numb. 24, 20 (JE).
 - 18. "Heaven" (שמים).
 - a. sky.
 - "In the open firmament of the heaven." Gen. 1, 20 (P).
 - i. e. On the face of the expanse of heaven.

- b. air.
 - "The fowls of heaven." Job 35, 11.
- c. God's dwelling place.
 - "The Lord God of Heaven." II Chron. 36, 23.

19. "House" (בית).

- a. place of shelter.
 - "Into your servant's house." Gen. 19, 2 (J2).
- b. palace.
 - "Pharaoh's house." Gen. 45, 16 (E).
- c. temple.
 - "House for the name of the Lord." II Chron. 2, 1.
- d. place.
 - "From the house of bondage." Ex. 13, 14 (D).
- e. receptacle.
 - "Houses of clay." Job 4, 19.11
- f. dynasty.
 - "House of Saul and house of David." II Sam. 3, 6 (J).
- g. family.
 - "House of their fathers." Numb. 1, 2 (P).
- h. nation.
 - "House of Israel." Ex. 16, 31 (P).

20. "Judgment" (משפט or סים or משפט).

- a. Justice.
 - "Against the gods I will execute judgment." Ex. 12, 12 (P).
- b. trial.
 - "Stand in judgment." Numb. 35, 12 (P).
- c. justness. Cf. P. B.
 - "Thy judgment as the noonday." Ps. 37, 6.
- d. due.
 - "Have taken away my judgment." Job 27, 1.
- e. ordinance or regulation.
 - "The judgments which thou shalt set." Ex. 21, 1 (E).

¹¹ Cf. בתי נפש Is. 3, 20 " diadems," P. B.

- 21. "Name" (DW).
 - a. word denoting person or thing.
 - "The name of the first." Gen. 2, 11 (J2).
 - b. fame.
 - "That my name may be declared." Ex. 9, 16 (JE).
 - c. report.
 - "Bring up an evil name upon her." Deut. 22, 14 (D).
 - d. spirit.
 - "My name might be therein." I K. 8, 16.
 - e. for divine spirit.
 - "My name is in him." Ex. 23, 21 (JE).12
- 22. " Seed " (זרע).
 - a. grain of seed.
 - "Herb yielding seed." Gen. 1, 11 (P).
 - b. posterity.
 - "Thy seed and her seed." Gen. 3, 15 (J).18
 - c. race.
 - "Seed of evil doers." Is. 1, 4.
- 23. "Shame" (בוש).
 - a. disgrace.
 - "Let them be confounded and put to shame." Ps. 35, 4.

יהוה or even אלהים by Jews. In Mishnah Yoma, 3, 8, where the formula of the High Priest's confession on the Day of Atonement is given, we read: אומר אומר אומר "Thus the priest used to say, O Name (i. e. O God), etc." For fuller treatment of substitutes for tetragrammaton vide writer's paper, "The Name of God," Reform Advocate, May 8, 1897. Driver, in commenting on Lev. 24, 11, (P), "And the Israelitish woman's son blasphemed the Name" (את־השם), calls attention to the use of השם לכל השם את־השם instead of השם אתריהשם (Cf. Hebrew text P.B.).

 13 Cf. Latin semen, "race;" also Gr. $\sigma\pi\ell\rho\mu a,$ offspring, progeny.

- b. disappointment.
 - "He returned with shame of face to his own land." II Chron. 32, 21.
- c. deride.
 - "Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor." Ps. 14, 6.14

24. " Word" (דבר).

- a. remark.
 - "Is not this the word that we did tell?" Ex. 14, 12 (JE).
- b. command.
 - "By the word of the Lord." I K. 13, 1.
- c. report.
 - "Brought word again." Josh. 14, 7 (D2).
- d. advice.
 - "According to the word of Moses." Ex. 8, 13 (P).
- e. claim.
 - "That your words may be proved." Gen. 42, 16 (E).
- f. memoirs.
 - "The words of Nehemiah." Numb. 1, 1.

B. Demonstrative Pronoun

" This" (זה or at).

- a. person close at hand.
 - "This wicked Haman." Est. 7, 6.
 - i. e. Wicked Haman here.
- b. object near by.
 - "This Jordan." Gen. 32, 10 (J^2) .
 - i. e. The Jordan here.
- ¹⁴ P. B. translates: "Ye would fain bring to naught the faith of the godly." In a note this explanation is given, "i.e. the practical conviction, on which the godly found their faith, viz.: the assurance that JHVH is their refuge. The wicked who in this passage are heathens would fain prove by the evidence of facts that this conviction is erroneous."

c. period of time at hand.

"This day." Gen. 35, 20 (E).

i. e. To-day.

d. period of time past.

"This twenty years." Gen. 31, 38 (J).

i. e. it is now twenty years that. Wickliffe reads: "Therfor twenti wynter haue I ben with thee?" and, "Was I with thee herfore twenti year?"

e. number of occasions past.

"These two times." Gen. 27, 36 (J).

e. twice already. Cf. Gen. 43, 10; 45, 6; Numb.
 14, 22; Deut. 8, 2; Judg. 16, 15; Est. 4, 11;
 Zach. 7, 3; I Sam. 29, 3.15

C. Adjectives

1. "Fat" (ממן or שמן).

a. fertile.

"A fat land." Neh. 9, 25.

b. prosperous.

"Grew fat." Deut. 32, 15.

2. " Good " (arb).

a. wholesome.

"Knowing good and evil." Gen. 3, 5 (J).16

15 In the Ancient Versions we have particles corresponding to $\vec{\eta}$ J has sometimes "en" or "jam; "G has $\hat{\eta}\delta\eta$ in Gen. 43, 10; but the demonstrative pronoun elsewhere; S has

¹⁶ The real meaning of this phrase is to know what is wholesome and what is injurious; i. e. to lose one's childlike innocence. Not to know good and evil means to be like a child, either childlike, very young or very old, childish, a dotard, whose intellect is impaired by old age. Cf. German "kindlich" and "kindisch." Cf. what Barzillai said to David: "I am this day four-score years old; and can I discern between good and evil?" II Sam. 19, 35 (J).

b. best quality.

"The gold is good." Gen. 2, 12 (J^2) .

c. fat.

"Good kids of the goats." Gen. 27, 9 (J^2).

d. fruitful.

"Possess the good land." Deut. 6, 18 (D).

e. favorable.

"Interpretation was good." Gen. 40, 16 (E).

f. courteous.

"Speak good words to them." I K. 12, 7.

g. redeeming.

"There are good things found in thee." II Chron. 19. 3.

h. extreme.

"Good old age." Gen. 15, 15 (JE).

i. fit.

"Good for food." Gen. 2, 9 (J).

3. " Great " (גדול).

a. large, with respect to measure.

"Great lights." Gen. 1, 16 (P).

b. high.

"Great mountain." Zach. 4, 7.

c. powerful.

"Make thee a great nation." Gen. 12, 2 (J^2) .

d. rich.

"The man was very great." I Sam. 25, 2 (J).

e. loud.

"A great cry." Ex. 11, 6 (J).

f. eventful.

"Great shall be the day," Hos. 1, 11.

4. "Heavy" (כבד or כבד).

a. ponderous.

"As an heavy burden." Ps. 38, 4.

b. difficult.

"Thing is too heavy for thee." Ex. 18, 18 (JE).

c. dull.

"Make their ears heavy." Is. 6, 10.

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d. tired.

"Moses' hands were heavy." Ex. 17, 12 (JE).

e. unfavorable.

"Heavy tidings." I K. 14, 6.

5. "Uncircumcised" (ערל).

a. Gentiles.

"Garrison of these uncircumcised." I Sam. 14,6 (J).

b. unclean.

"The fruit thereof as uncircumcised." Lev. 19, 23 (H).

c. deaf.

"Their ear is uncircumcised." Jer. 6, 10.

d. lacking eloquence.

"Who am of uncircumcised lips." Ex. 6, 12 (P).

e. faithless.

"If then their uncircumcised hearts he humbled." Lev. 26, 41 (H).

D. PREPOSITIONS

1. Superfluous prepositions.

a. after, in "pursued after"

as expressed by ררף אחרי Ex. 14, 8 (P).

- b. down, in "went down to buy corn in Egypt" as implied in 'T' Gen. 42, 3 (E).17
- c. into, in "came into the house" as implied in NII Gen. 24, 32 (J2).
- d. out of, in "gone out of the land" as implied in %3° Ex. 19. 1 (P).
- e. up, in "rose up to comfort him" as implied in קום Gen. 37, 35 (J²); or עלה Ex. 24, 1 (JE).

¹⁷ Cf. English phrase, "go down town," or phrase in Baltimore, "go down to Washington." "Went down" is used because the brothers of Joseph descended from Palestine, a mountainous country, to Egypt, a plain.

- f. with, in "blow with the cornets" as expressed by מקע Numb. 10, 3 (P²). "Numb. 10, 3 (P²). "
- 2. Unidiomatic prepositions:
 - a. after instead of "for."

"Lament after" וינהו I Sam. 7, 2 (E²).

b. before for "on account of."

"Mourn before Abner "ספרו לפני II Sam. 3, 31 (J).

c. before for "against."

"My sin before thy father "חטאתי לפני אביך I Sam. 20, 1 (J).

d. before for "in."

"Before the street לפני הרחוב Neh. 8, 3.

e. before for "near."

"Before Gibeon " על־גבעון Josh. 10, 5 (E).

f. before for "to."

"Read before the king" לפני המלך Est. 6, 1.

g. Even unto for "as far as."

"Even unto Gaza" ער־עוה II K. 18, 8.

h. in for "from."

"Truth in his heart" בלבבו Ps. 15, 2.

i. in for "at."

" In the gate " בשער II Sam. 19, 8 (J).

j. in for "on."

" In the day " ביום Gen. 2, 17 (J).19

k. out of for "in."

"Out of Zion " מציון Ps. 20, 2.

l. over for "on."

" Over Nebo " ערובו Is. 15, 2.

18 The ⊃ here is the ⊃ instrumenti. "To play with" in English would mean "to play as with a toy." Cf. Shakspeare's "Hamlet," Act 3, Scene 2. The prince says to Guildenstern, "You would play upon me." If a preposition is used in English at all, "upon" should take the place of the Hebrew "with."

¹⁹ Note the difference between the idiomatic, "in the mountains," and such an unwarranted phrase as "in the mountain" for "on the mountain."

m. over for "of."

"King over Gilead" אל הגלער II Sam. 2, 9 (J).

n. to for "with."

"Thou shalt do to Ai" לעי Josh. 8, 2 (D2).

o. under for "at foot of."

" Under Mount Hermon " תחת הר Josh. 13, 5 (D²).

p. upon for "to."

"Give light upon the earth" על־הארץ Gen. 1, 15 (P).

q. with for "against."

"Fought with Israel" עם־ישראל Ex. 17, 8 (JE).20

r. with for "on."

"With psalteries " בכלי I Chron. 16, 5.

s. with for "like."

"Was delivered of a child with her " ממה I K. 3, 17.

E. VERBS

1. " Call" (קרא).

a. name.

"To see what he would call them." Gen. 2, 19 (J).

b. proclaim.

"Call peaceably unto them." Judg. 21, 13 (R).

c. preserve.

"In Isaac shall thy seed be called." Gen. 21, 12 (E).

d. invite.

"Thy servant hath he not called." I K. 1, 19.

e. bear.

"This house which is called by my name." Jer. 7, 10.

 20 Cf. "pugnare cum aliquo" and "adversus aliquem." In Greek, on the other hand, $\mu\dot{a}\chi\epsilon\sigma\vartheta a\iota$ $\sigma\dot{\nu}\nu$ $\tau\iota\nu\iota$ means to fight with the assistance of and under the protection of, etc.

²¹ This use of "with" explains the famous passage of Eccl. quoted by Schopenhauer: "Wisdom is good with an inheritance," Eccl. 7, 11, which really means "Wisdom is as good as an inheritance." Vide Haupt's Book of Eccl., Oriental Studies of Oriental Club of Phila., 1894, p. 266.

f. summon.

"Pharaoh called for Moses." Ex. 10, 16 (JE).

g. invoke.

"Have not called upon thy name." Ps. 79, 6.

2. "Hear" (שמע).

a. power to detect sound.

"Mine ear hath heard." Job 13, 1.

b. listen.

"Would not hear me." Deut. 3, 26 (D2).

c. notice.

"Hath heard thy affliction." Gen. 16, 11 (J2).

3. " Keep" (שמר).

a. guard.

"Kept the door." II K. 12, 9.

b. guide.

"Keep the feet." I Sam. 2, 9 (R).

c. obey.

"Keep his statutes." Deut. 4, 40 (D2).

d. observe.

"Ye shall keep the sabbath." Ex. 31, 16 (P).

e. store up.

"Keep food." Gen. 41, 35 (J^2) .

f. do right.

"Keep the way." Gen. 18, 19 (D2).

4. "Know" (ידע).

a. realize.

"They knew that they were naked." Gen. 3, 7 (J).

b. pay attention to.

"The Lord knoweth the way of the righteous." Ps. 1, 6.

c. acknowledge.

"My God, we know Thee." Hos. 8, 2.

d. experience.

"As had known all the wars." Judg. 3, 1 (R).

e. choose.

"I know thee by name." Ex. 33, 12 (J).

f. acquire.

"To know wisdom and instruction." Prov. 1, 2.

- g. have sexual intercourse.
 - "Bring them unto us, that we may know them." Gen. 19, 5 (J²).²²
- 5. " Make" (עשה).
 - a. form.
 - "He made all the vessels of the altar." Ex. 38, 3 (P).
 - b. prepare.
 - "Made a feast." II Sam. 3, 20.
 - c. create.
 - "God made the firmament." Gen. 1, 7.
 - d. grant.
 - "Made a release." Est. 2, 18.
 - e. yield.
 - "Shall he eat nothing made of the vine tree." Numb. 6, 4 (P).
 - f. worship.
 - "Unto the place of the altar which he made there first." Gen. 13, 4 (J²).²³
- 6. " Melt" (110 or ot).
 - a. become liquid.
 - "When the sun waxed hot it melted." Ex. 16, 21 (P).
 - b. become disheartened.
 - "All the inhabitants shall melt away." Ex. 15, 15 (R).24
 - c. tremble. Cf. P.B.
 - "He uttered his voice, the earth melted." Ps. 46, 6.
- ² Cf. Gr. γιγνώσκω, Syr. معرف , Arab. عرف , Assyr. lamådu.

23 Cf. Adler Am. Or. Soc. Baltimore, Oct., 1884, Art. 11.

²⁴ The phrase, "heart melted," often occurring in the A. V., should here be noted. One might be led to suppose that it means "the heart melted in pity." Such, however, is not the case. It always signifies to become disheartened, as understood by the ancient Hebrews. Contrast "heavy-hearted" in Hebrew; that is, "obstinate."

- 7. "Remember" (זכר).
 - a, to bear in mind.
 - "God remembered Noah." Gen. 8, 1 (P).

i. e. thought again of Noah.

- b. recall.
 - "Joseph remembered the dreams." Gen. 42, 9 (E).
- c. considered.
 - "God remembered Abraham." Gen. 19, 29 (P).
- d. favor.
 - "Remember me, I pray thee." Judg. 16, 28 (J).
- 8. "Return" (שוב).
 - a. come back.
 - "Abraham returned unto his place." Gen. 18, 33
 - b. repent.
 - "Returned to thee with all their heart." II Chron. 6, 38.
 - c. reinstated.
 - "Ye shall return, every man unto his possession." Lev. 25, 10 (P).
 - d. revert.
 - "Field shall return unto him." Lev. 27, 24 (P).
 - e. recurrence of set day.
 - "At the return of the year." I K. 20, 26.
- 9. "See" (האה).
 - a. behold.
 - "When he saw them." Gen. 18, 2 (J^2) .
 - b. examine.
 - "The Lord came down to see the city." Gen. 11, 5 (J).
 - c. contemplate.
 - "Let me not see my wretchedness." Numb. 11, 15 (J).
- 10. "Serve" (עבר).
 - a. work.
 - "Jacob served seven years." Gen. 29, 20 (J2).

- b. be tributary.
 - "Make covenant with us and we will serve thee."
 I Sam. 11, 1 (J).
- c. worship.
 - "Ye shall serve God." Ex. 3, 12 (JE).
- 11. "Turn" (כמה סר סור סור סור סור).
 - a. approach.
 - "I will turn aside and see." Ex. 3, 3 (JE).25
 - b. stop.
 - "He turned aside and sat down." Ruth 4. 1.
 - c. calm.
 - "Turn from thy fierce wrath." Ex. 32, 12 (JE).
 - d. cease.
 - "Yet turned not aside from following the Lord." I Sam. 12, 20 (E).
 - 12. "Write" (בתב).
 - a. set down for reading.
 - "He shall write them a copy of this law." Deut. 17, 18 (D).
 - b. record.
 - "Write this for a memorial in a book." Ex. 17, 14 (JE).**
 - c. put down.
 - "Write thou these words." Ex. 34, 27 (J).
 - d. inscribe.
 - "The tables were written." Ex. 32, 15 (E).
 - e. designate.
 - "And these written by name." I Chron. 4, 41.
 - f. trace.
 - "Write thou every man's name upon his rod." Numb. 17, 2 (P).

^{25 &}quot;To turn aside" means, "to turn aside from the road," like the German "einkehren."

²⁶ Vide, p. 127.



CHAPTER VIII

SYNTACTICAL HEBRAISMS

1. Use of plural where in English the singular is expected.

The best example of this case is the rendition of the Hebrew שמים by "heavens." Cf. Gen. 2, 1 (P); 2, 4 (P); Dt. 32, 1 (RD); I Chron. 16, 31; 27, 23; Job 9, 8; 35, 5; Ps. 2, 4, and a great number of other places, though שמים is not always rendered by the translators of the A. V. as a plural. True it is שמים is construed as a plural, as seen in Psalm 19, 2, "The heavens declare the glory of God" אים מספרים כבור אל. The idea, however fundamental to the word, is singular, signifying space in contradistinction to earth. A strange fact worthy of note is that G uses the singular σίρανός and the plural σίρανοί and J the singular "coelum" and plural "coeli," as indiscriminately as the A. V.; and G, J, and A. V. do not always agree in the number employed in any given passage.

For the use of "heavens," Hebrew grammars give the following explanation: "The plural is by no means used in Hebrew solely to express a number of individuals or separate objects, but may also denote them collectively." Such a plural is known by the name of "plural of extension or amplification."

Forms similar to שמים are מים "water," ימים "sea," "face," מים "depth," etc. שמים is not a

¹Ges. Heb. Gram., Oxford, 1898, p. 417; Koenig Lehrg. d. Heb. Sp., vol. II, pt. 2, p. 195.

dual form as often supposed. According to Professor Haupt the ending originated as follows: The oldest form is "šamâma." By dissimilation we get "šamâmi" and by epenthesis of the "i" we have "šamâim." Cf. Arab. and Assy. "šamû" pl. "šamê" and "šamâmu."

Another striking instance of the amplificative plural is the use of נהרוח. Ps. 137, 1. The text reads על נהרוח Ps. 137, 1. The text reads בבל שם ישבנו "By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down." G reads בּבּל דַבּיּט הסדמשים and J, "super flumina Babylonis." Professor Haupt in a note to Psalm 42, 4, in Wellhausen's Psalms, English P. B., calls attention to the amplificative plural form "Hermons" for "Hermon," which is equal to "gigantic Hermon." In the same way he explains הרוח "rivers" in the Psalm under consideration. "Rivers" here stands for the great river of Babylon, Euphrates. Cf. Ps. 89, 26.

The expressions "Rivers of Egypt" or Niles, Ezek. 29, 3, 4, must for the same reasons be taken as meaning the Nile. נשיאי in Ezek. 19, 1, may perhaps, as G leads us to suppose, also stand for שרי יהודה and שרי "cities of Judah," Is. 40, 9, for ישרי city.

2. Apposition.

In cases where the relation of the individual to some one else is stated, or the office filled by a person in the

² Cf. Crit. Notes on Isaiah, p. 157, l. 21 P. B.

⁸ The superscription of G and J does not decide the date of the Psalm. It was not written by Jeremiah as stated, but as Baethgen and Duhm hold, soon after the return from the Exile. Babel, according to Baethgen, does not refer here to the city, but the whole district of Babylon.

⁴Cf. English P. B., Notes on Ezek., p. 157.

community is specified, the A. V. retains the sequence of the Hebrew. A few illustrations suffice to bring out the point.

> " Moses my servant לשה עברי Josh. 1, 2 (E). i. e. my servant Moses.

The literal rendering of the Hebrew by the A. V. does not convey the idea intended. "Moses my servant" is not the same as "my servant Moses," but leads to the supposition that a Moses, who was a servant, is meant, in contradistinction to perhaps a Moses the scribe. The same objection holds good for the wording of the other examples to be cited.

Cf. "Joash, his father" יואש אביו Judg. 8, 32 (R).

i. e. his father Joash.

" David, thy son " דוד בנך I Sam. 16, 19 (J).

i. e. thy son David.

"Nathan the prophet" נתן הנכיא II Sam. 12, 25 (J).
i. e. the prophet Nathan.

"Shaphan the scribe" שכן הספר II K. 22, 8. i. e. the scribe Shaphan.

3. Cognate accusative.

In Hebrew there are any number of verbs, which have as their object a noun of the same stem from which they are derived. Thus, for example, we say מלם חלום "to dream a dream," נדר נדר "to vow a vow," and "to sin a sin." This linguistic phenomenon, called the cognate construction, appears also in other languages. Cf. Arab. מֹל "to strike a stroke," and Gr. שֹל מֹל שׁל שׁל שׁל שׁל ישׁל "to enjoy enjoyments." This cognate construction the A. V. has faithfully reproduced. We give here only a few of the many examples which may be cited.

- "Their service which they serve." Numb. 18, 21 (P).
- "Let me die the death of the righteous." Numb. 23, 10 (JE).
- "The blessings with which Moses blessed." Deut. 33, 1 (R).
- "Thundered with great thunder." I Sam. 7, 10 (E2).
- "Lamented with this lamentation." II Sam. 1, 17 (J).
- "Sealed them with his seal." I K. 21, 8.
- "Sleep the sleep." Ps. 13, 3.
- "Rain no rain." Is. 5, 6.

4. Anticipatorial accusative. (Prolepsis.)

A noun is often taken out of a clause, dependent upon a verb, and made the object of the verb, when in reality not the noun thus treated, but the clause to which it belongs is the object.

A similar construction often occurs in Greek. καί μοι τὸν νἱὸν εἰπέ εἰ μεμάθηκε τὴν τέχνην. "And tell me my son (accusative) whether he has learned his art." for "And tell me whether my son has learned his art." This syntactical peculiarity of the Hebrew the A. V. has preserved in many instances.

"God saw the light that it was good." Gen. 1, 4 (P).

וירא אלהים את האור כי־טוב

i, e. God saw that the light was good.

"She saw him that he was a goodly child." Ex. 2, 2 (E). ותרא אתו כי טוב הוא

i. e. She saw that he was a goodly child.

"And see the land what it is." Numb. 13, 18.

וראיתם את־הארץ מה־היא

i. e. And see what the land is.

⁵ Koenig, Lehrg. d. Heb. Sp., vol. II, pt. 2, 414b.

⁶ Curtius Greek Grammar, 519, 5.

"In those days also saw I Jews that had married wives." Neh. 13, 23.

בימים ההם ראיתי את היהודים השיבו נשים i. e. In those days I saw that Jews had married wives. Cf. Numb. 32, 23; I K. 5, 17; Prov. 23, 22 b.

5. Superlative.

To express the superlative in Hebrew the adjective is made definite by the use of the article (as is sometimes done for the comparative degree) or by using a following genitive. In many instances the construct state is employed before the plural of the same noun, e. g. "Holy of holies," meaning the "most holy place." שיר השירים "Song of songs," meaning "the most excellent song." Such superlative expressions the A. V. has rendered literally. Notice should also be taken that G and J retain this construction.

"Servant of servants" עבר עברים. Gen. 9, 25 (J).

i. e. The lowest servant.

" Heaven of heavens " שמי השמים. Dt. 10, 14 (D).

i. e. The highest heaven.

"God of gods" אלהי האלהים. Dt. 10, 17 (D).

i. e. The most exalted god.

"Lord of Lords" ארני האדנים. Dt. 10, 17 (D).

i. e. The most exalted lord.

"Vanity of vanities" הבל הבלים. Eccl. 1, 2.

i. e. The greatest vanity.8

"King of kings" מלך מלכים. Ezek. 26, 7.

i. e. The most excellent king.

6. Genitive of material.

Hebrew grammars regard this construction one of apposition, taking the material descriptive of the object

⁷ Ges. Heb. Gram., 133 h. Rem. 2.

⁸ i. e. "How utterly transitory is everything." Vide, p. 141.

in apposition with the object specified." In English we would expect adjectives of quality, in which all Semitic languages are poor. Cf. also the occasional nominal الصني اكدعب position often occurring in Arabic, e. g.

"the golden idol," properly "the idol the gold." Examples of such a genitive in A. V. are:

"Jewels of silver and jewels of gold." Gen. 24, 53 (J2).

כלי כסף וכלי זהב i. e. Silver and golden jewels.

"Gods of gold " אלהי זהב Ex. 20, 23 (RJE).

i. e. Golden gods.

"Altar of stone " מובח אבנים Ex. 20, 25 (JE).

i. e. Stone altar.

"Loops of blue" לאת תכלת Ex. 26. 4 (P).

i. e. Blue loops.

"Bedstead of iron" ערש ברול Dt. 3, 11 (D2).

i. e. Iron bedstead.

"Helmet of brass " כובע נחשת I Sam. 17, 5 (E).

i. e. Brass helmet.

"House of cedar " בית ארוים II Sam. 7, 2 (E).

i. e. Cedar house.

"Throne of ivory " כמא שן I K. 10, 18. i. e. Ivory throne.

"Girdle of leather " אור עור II K. 1, 8.

i. e. Leather girdle.

"Arm of flesh " זרוע בשר II Chron. 32, 8.

i. e. Human arm.

" Pulpit of wood " מגדל עץ Neh. 8, 4.

i. e. Wooden pulpit.

7. Genitive of attribute.

Hebrew grammarians look upon this also, as upon the previous construction, as an appositional construction the attribute being in apposition with the thing spoken

⁹ Ges. Heb. Gram., 131, 2 c.

of. Such a genitive appears in Arabic also, lit. "a possessor of sense," i. e. "a sensible man;" الدنيا الدنا lit. "the people of the world," i. e. "a worldly people." Also in adjectives connoting attributes the Hebrew language is poor.

" Men of renown " אנשי השם Gen. 6, 4 (J).

i. e. Renowned men.

"A man of war" מלחמה Ex. 15, 3 (E).

i. e. A warlike man.

"Men of truth" אנשי אכת Ex. 18, 21 (E).

i. e. Honest men.

"Children of wickedness " בני־עולה II Sam. 7, 10. i. e. Wicked children.

"City of waters" עיר המים II Sam. 12, 27 (J).

i. e. Water city.10 "Instruments of music" כלי שיר I Chron. 15, 16.

i. e. Musical instruments.

"Children of fools" בני נבל Job 30, 8.

i. e. Foolish children.

"Children of pride" בני שחץ Job 41, 34. i. e. Proud children.

"Sacrifices of righteousness" ובחי צרק Ps. 4, 5. i. e. Right sacrifices. P.B.

"Wine of astonishment " יין תרעלה Ps. 60, 3. i. e. Staggering wine.11

" Children of Zion " בני ציון Ps. 149, 2.

i. e. Zionitish children.

"Merchants of Zidon " סחר צירון Is. 23, 2.

i. e. Zidonian merchants.

"Children of the captivity " בני נלותא Ezr. 6, 16.

i. e. Captive people.

" Prisoners of hope" אסירי התקוה Zach. 9, 12.

i. e. Hopeful prisoners.

10 Probably a fortification built to protect the fountain which still flows at Amman. Cf. H. P. Smith, ad loc.

11 The Hebrew word means rather "bewilderment," or "wine of reel."

8. Genitive of price.

The cost or price is in Hebrew often expressed by a genitive with the preposition 2. We have a similar construction in Greek, known as genitive of price or value. Whenever this genitive with 2 occurs, the translators have rendered the preposition literally by "in."

- "He shall lay the foundation thereof in his first born (בצעירו) and in his youngest son (בצעירו) shall he set up the gates." Josh. 6, 26 (J^2) .
 - e. Laying the foundation thereof shall cost him his firstborn, and the setting up of the gates shall cost him his youngest.

9. Preposition with noun for adverb.

The Hebrew, like other Semitic languages, suffers from a scarcity of qualitative adverbs. Where such should be used, the noun with a preposition is employed.

"Ye shall eat in haste" (בחבוון) Ex. 12, 11 (P).

i. e. Ye shall eat it hurriedly.

This may not be a Hebraism in the English rendering, for in English we also say "in haste," or, "in a hurry," but may not the wording here be influenced by the Hebrew idiom?

"Brought with gladness" (בשמחה) II Sam. 6, 12 (J). i. e. Brought joyfully.

The adverbial sense is often expressed in Hebrew by a verb descriptive of the action expressed in another verb. In the quotation here given, two past tenses (really imperfects with 1 conversive) are thus employed:

 12 Cf. II. 2, 32 Δόξα χρημάτων οὐκ ἀνητή "Glory is not to be bought with money."

"She hasted and killed it "ותמהר ותוכחהו I Sam. 28, 24 (J).
i. e. She guickly killed it.

Cf. similar construction in French: "Il ne tardera pas à venir."

10. Compound prepositions.

A striking peculiarity in English is the usage of double prepositions where a single one would suffice. This usage is traceable to the literal rendering of the Hebrew text. Hebrew syntax calls for compound prepositions. At times, two prepositions are expressed, and at other times only one is expressed and a second is implied in the verb." It is true that some Hebrew substantives are rendered by prepositions in English (e. g. before," lit. "to the front of"); yet these expressions must be included here, although Gesenius would exclude them." It must be borne in mind that all Semitic prepositions were originally nouns. Compound prepositions are in use also in French, e. g. "de chez," "d'auprès."

- a. Double prepositions with one implied in the verb.
 - "Came in unto" יבאו ... אל Gen. 6, 4 (J²).

i. e. Had sexual intercourse with.

- "Went up out of Egypt" ויעל ... ממצרים Gen. 13, 1 (J²).
 i. e. Went out of Egypt.
- "Went down into Egypt" מצרימה ... וירדו Numb. 20, 15 (JE).
 - i. e. Went to Egypt.
- Cf. expression used in Baltimore, "Went down to Washington," because Washington is in a southerly direction.
- "Went out unto his brethren" אל . . . אל Ex. 2, 11 (E).
 i. e. Went to his brethren.

¹⁸ Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 119, 2 b. ¹⁴ Ibid., Rem. 1.

- b. Double prepositions, both of which are expressed.
 - " From under the heaven "מתחת Gen. 6, 17 (P).

i. e. Under the heaven.

" From above " מעל Gen. 27, 39 (J²).

i. e. Above.

- "From between the two cherubims" מבין Numb. 7, 89 (P).
 i. e. Between the cherubims.
- c. Double prepositions, one of which is originally a noun.
 - "From before his dead " מעל פני Gen. 23, 3 (P).

i. e. From his dead.

"Through the midst of the sea " בתוך Ex. 14, 16 (P). i. e. Through the sea.

The usage of the compound preposition originates from the desire of the Hebrews to indicate the locality and the direction of the action as well as the action.

11. Repetition of subject.

It often occurs in the text of A. V. that in addition to the subject proper a pronoun is found. Such useless repetition has its origin in Hebrew usage. The translators in working on the M text simply rendered, in addition to the subject, either pronouns, performatives, or suffixes, which the Hebrew syntax demands, but which English not only does not require, but actually regards bad literary style. This is the so-called nominative absolute or Casus pendens.¹⁵

- "They went both of them together" וילכו שניהם Gen. 22, 6 (E); lit. and they went their duality, his unions. i. e. Both of them went together.
- "The Lord your God, he shall fight for you" יהוה... הוא Dt. 3, 22 (D²).
 - i. e. The Lord your God shall fight for you.

¹⁵ Cf. Driver's Tenses.

12. Use of pronoun for the sake of emphasis.

There are instances in the A. V. where the pronoun, introduced by the word "even," is employed when the sense does not really require it. This phenomenon is Hebrew in character.¹⁶

"Bless me, even me also, O my father." Gen. 27, 34 (E).
i. e. Bless me also, father.

Cf. I K. 21, 19; Prov. 23, 15; Eccl. 2, 15. Sometimes D is omitted and the pronoun alone is used for emphasis. Cf. Dt. 5, 3 (D); II Chron. 28, 10.

13. Active for passive voice.

If, in the course of a narrative, the object is introduced, and then action with regard to the object is spoken of, we would put in English the verb denoting the action in the passive. In Hebrew the verb is not infrequently put in the active governing the original subject. This phenomenon is seen perhaps more often in Lev. than in other books of the Bible. The English version of P. B. brings this point out clearly.

"He shall kill the bullock" ביותו Lev. 1, 5 (P).

i. e. The bullock shall be killed.17

"He shall flay והפשים the burnt offering." Lev. 1, 6 (P).

i. e. The burnt offering shall be flayed.

"Shall he wash" ירחץ Lev. 1, 9 (P).

i. e. Shall be washed.18

 $^{16}\,\text{Ges.}$ Heb. Gram., 163, treating of the use of D3 in intensive clauses.

17 Cf. Driver on Lev. 14, 4.

¹⁸ The indefinite personal subject is expressed by the third person singular masculine, third plural masculine, second singular masculine, plural of participle, and passive. Cf. Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 144 d.

14. The imperfect or future for the present.

The Hebrew verb has only two tenses, the perfect and imperfect. The Hebrew imperfect, as opposed to the perfect, represents actions, events, or conditions which are regarded by the speaker at any moment as still continuing or in process of accomplishment, or even just as taking place.¹⁹ In Arabic a similar usage of the imper-

fect prevails. أَنُّ means both "he will kill" and "he kills." Consider also Syr. من المعالمة "he will write"

and "he writes." There may once have existed a separate imperfect and present in Hebrew as seen from the Assy. where the two forms are still preserved; e. g. imp. ikšud "he will conquer;" pres. ikašad "he conquers." The translators of A. V. recognized this use of the imperfect in a number of cases; e. g. Gen. 37, 15 (J²), מהיתבקש "what seekest thou?"; but in others they did not. A single instance suffices to show the use of the imperfect for the present:

"Though I walk (אלך) in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me." Ps. 138, 7.

i. e. Thou revivest me.

In connection with certain conjunctions like מרם ישכבו the imperfect is used instead of the past; e.g. מרם ישכבו "before they lay down," Gen. 19, 4 (J). The same observation holds good of imperfect after א and שר The imperfect after מרם is sometimes rendered like a pluperfect מרם יהיה בארץ Gen. 2, 5 (J). The same

 $^{^{19}\,\}mathrm{Ges.}$ Heb. Gram., 107, and Driver's Tenses, par. 28 and following.

²⁰ According to A. V., God made every plant of the field before it was on the earth, etc. R. V. correctly states, "No plant of the field was yet on the earth." Cf. Haupt, Judaic Account of Creation. JAOS XVII, 158. Vide, p. 147.

observation holds good of the perfect with 1 conversive—so termed because it converts the meaning of the past to the future and vice versa. This form is often rendered by an imperfect instead of a present:

"Shall be like a tree" והיה כעץ Ps. 1, 3. i. e. Is like a tree.

G and J preserve the imperfect.

"Shall come into Egypt" ובא מצרים Is. 19, 1. i. e. Comes into Egypt.

Here G and J again preserve the imperfect.

15. Double imperfect.

In some instances two imperfects, or apparent future forms, are used one after another where, in English, a participial clause or relative clause would be substituted for one of them.

"I will be with thy mouth and with his mouth and will teach you what ye will do." Ex. 4, 15 (E).

i. e. * * * "teaching you what ye will do."

The past (in reality an imperfect with a consecutive) is to be taken in the same sense.

"The serpent was more subtle * * * and he said (ויאמר) unto the woman." Gen. 3, 1 (J).

i. e. The serpent being more subtle * * * said.

Cf. Arab. جاوا اباعم يبكو ن they came to their father weeping."

This observation holds good also of two past tenses (really two imperfects with 1 conversive in Hebrew).

"They did set (וישימו) over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens, and they built (ויבן) for Pharaoh." Ex. 1, 11 (JE).

16. Relative position of verbs.

It often occurs in the text that two mutually dependent verbs, one of which is finite, are incorrectly placed, from the English and logical point of view, but which relative position is perfectly correct in the light of the Hebrew idiom.²¹ Such verbs are:

אמר and ענה

- "Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said." Gen. 24, 50 (J).
 - i. e. Then Laban and Bethuel said answering.

אמר and קרא

- "And Jacob called unto his sons and said." Gen. 49, 1 (J).
 - i. e. And Jacob said, calling unto his sons.

אמר and צוה

- "And the Lord commanded the man, saying." Gen. 2, 16 (J).
 - i. e. The Lord said to the man, commanding.

אמר and דבר

- "And God spake unto Moses and said." Ex. 6, 2 (P).
 - i. e. And God said, speaking unto Moses.

אמר and שיר

- "Then sang Moses and the children of Israel, saying." Ex. 15, 1 (J).
 - e. Then said Moses and the children of Israel, singing.

עשה and ברא

"Which God created and made." Gen. 2, 3 (P). 22

i. e. Which God made, creating.

17. The conjunction "and."

In Hebrew the coördination of different clauses and also of sentences is expressed by ! "and," whereas the context in English requires either its omission, some other subordinate conjunction, or some other part of

²¹ Ges. Heb. Gram., 120.

speech. This circumstance explains the often seemingly inexplicable use of "and" by A. V. The reader of the English Bible should bear in mind the variety of meanings which the Hebrew equivalent of "and" has. It signifies:

a. Addition.

"God created heaven and earth." Gen. 1, 1 (P).

b. " But."

"And Er, Judas' first born, was wicked." Gen. 38, 7 (J).
i. e. But Er, etc.

c. "When."

"And Abram went up out of Egypt." Gen. 13, 1 (J).

i. e. When Abram went up out of Egypt.

d. "Since."

"And all the nations of the earth shall be blessed." Gen. 18, 18.

i. e. Since all the nations, etc.

e. "Although."

"He riseth up and no man is sure of his life." Job 24, 22.

i. e. He riseth, although no man, etc.

f. "Yea."

"Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel." Is. 40, 27.

i. e. Why sayest thou, O Jacob, yea, speakest, O Israel.²³ g. "Thereupon."

"And the letters were sent." Est. 3, 13.

i. e. Thereupon the letters, etc.

h. "In order that."

"Let them go into the standing corn and burn up both the shocks." Judg. 15, 5 (J).

i. e. " * * in order to burn up the shocks."

i. Introduction to circumstantial clause.

"And he sat in the tent door." Gen. 18, 1 (J).

i. e. While sitting at the door, etc.24

²⁸ Jacob and Israel were one and the same, and not different persons.

²⁴ Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 141 and 142.

j. Often used instead of English relative construction.

"And Rebecca had a brother, and his name was." Gen. 24, 29 (J).

i. e. " * * * whose name was."25

k. "Or."

"He that curseth his father or his mother." A. V. Ex. 21, 17 (E).

Lit. " * * * his father and his mother."

l. "Lest."

"Neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die." A. V. Numb. 18, 32. Lit. " * * * and ye die."

18. The conjunction "for."

Another striking peculiarity of biblical style is the frequent recurrence of "for," when in the English text it may be omitted or should be otherwise rendered. This phenomenon is due to the many-sided use of the Hebrew כי. In the Talmud (Rosh Hash. 3a) the flexibility of is emphasized. It is there stated on the authority of Rabbi Simon Ben Lakish, called Resh Lakish for short (219-279), בי משמש בר לשונות אי רלמא אלא רהא (219-279), has four meanings: "if," "perhaps," "but," and "for."

We will not touch here upon the many uses of but upon the superfluous and mistranslated . Let it be borne in mind that "for" in A. V. does not always introduce a reason. An example of needless "for" is:

"Look from the place where thou art * * * (כי) for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it." Gen. 13, 14, 15.

i. e. " * * * I will give thee all the land which thou seest."

An example of concessive contranslated "for," which ought to be rendered "although," is:

²⁵ Cf. Driver's Tenses.

- ('C') "For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, but her end is bitter as wormwood." Prov. 5, 3.4.
 - i. e. "Although the lips of a strange woman," etc.
- ום כי has sometimes the same force as כֹם כֹי

19. Definite article.

"The" is often used in the text of A. V. where it appears superfluous. Wherever this is the case, it is the reproduction of the Hebrew generic article. This generic article is in Hebrew found in connection with nouns, expressive of a distinct class; denoting material, connoting abstract ideas, and in cases of comparison."

"I wrote them with ink in the book " (על הספר). Jer. 36, 18. i. e. " * * in a book."

"Like as the lion roaring" (האריה). Is. 31, 4. i. e. "As a lion roaring."

20. Order of sentences.

The order of sentences in the text of A. V. is that of the Hebrew, as may be seen by comparison. We will give two illustrations, which may be duplicated many times.

"But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter." Gen. 19, 4 (J).

Apart from the fact that the modifying clauses are not always as near as they should be to the parts of sentences they modify, the same thought would be expressed in English in a smaller number of words, as may be seen from the following:

"But before they lay down, the men of Sodom, both old and young, from every quarter, surrounded the house."

²⁶ Ges. Heb. Gram., 126, 3 and 4.

The fixing of a date is no less involved.

- "In the sixth hundred year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month," etc. Gen. 7, 11 (P).
- "i. e. On the seventeenth day of the second month of the six hundredth year of Noah.

Other syntactical peculiarities could be cited to show the faithful reproduction of Hebrew syntax by A. V. I believe that those indicated are sufficient to illustrate the point before us.

CHAPTER IX

DISCUSSION OF SPECIMEN EXPRESSIONS

We shall now proceed to the discussion of some selected passages of the Scriptures, which contain either lexicographical or syntactical Hebraisms, or both. Some of these Hebraisms will show that, while a number of biblical expressions have been naturalized, and are, therefore, intelligible to us, the meaning of a great many encountered in the reading of the Bible is not clear. It may also be noted here, that some of the Hebraisms, in use among us almost daily, are not by any means free from misapprehension. We shall give here, in addition, some phrases of the Bible, which are of archaeological interest and not characteristically Hebrew.

The specimen phrases and passages treated have been classified into four distinct groups:

- A. Hebraisms naturalized in English.
- B. Hebraisms used in English, but which may convey a different meaning.
 - C. Mistranslations.
 - D. Archaeological settings.

A. HEBRAISMS NATURALIZED IN ENGLISH

1. "Abomination of Egyptians." תועבת מצרים

This phrase occurring in Ex. 8, 26 (JE) (8, 22 M) is understood by Holzinger (Marti Series) to mean the lack of fitness of everything connected with Egypt for the holy purposes of JHVH. In the sense of unfitness the word "abomination" is used also in Genesis 43, 32,

and 46, 34 (J). Cf. also Deut. 7, 25, and 12, 31 (D). The interpretation of the word "abomination" when used with reference to Egypt does not mean the religion of Egypt, as Rashi has it.

2. "At the hands of."

The English "at the hands of," referring to the cause, from which anything has been obtained, is no doubt based on the Hebrew expression מיבקש ואח מירכם. Take for example such a passage as Isaiah 1, 12 מיבקש ואח מירכם "Who hath required this at your hand?" G and J use similar expressions.

3. "Behold."

The word "behold" by which the Hebrew הנה is rendered in the Bible is undoubtedly nothing more than the result of Hebrew influence. In Hebrew the demonstrative particle (G 1806 J en, ecce) is either used absolutely, as a kind of an interjection before a noun or verbal clause, or with the pronominal suffix (vide Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 147, 2). As an example of the Hebrew influence of הנה on the English text, cf. Isaiah 29, 8, "It shall even be as when a hungry man dreameth and (הנה) behold he eateth, but he awaketh and his soul is empty: or, as when a thirsty man dreameth, and (הנה) behold he drinketh; but he awaketh and (הנה) behold he is faint and his soul hath appetite." P. B. renders passage "Yea as when a hungry man dreams he is eating, but awakes with his appetite keen; or, when a thirsty man dreams he is drinking, but awakes faint from his unquenched thirst." The rendering in A. V. shows that the use of the English "behold" is frequently unnecessary.

4. "Boy of twenty."

This phrase, equivalent to "a twenty-year old boy" or "a boy twenty years old," is a Hebrew idiom. To express this thought in Hebrew we say: בו־עשרים. The same explanation holds good for the phrase "a girl of twenty" in place of "a twenty-year old girl" or "a girl twenty years old." Cf. Gen. 5, 32 (P); Numb. 14, 29 (P); Gen. 17, 1 (P), and 21, 4 (P). G and J retain the same idiom. A woman who is a hundred years old would be called "a woman, daughter of one hundred," etc. Cf. Gen. 17, 17 (P). Age in Hebrew, as in other Semitic languages, is always expressed by the numeral with the word for "son" or "boy" and "daughter" or "girl" in the construct case; or, by saying "Days of the years of the sojourn (or life) were" followed by the number of years. Cf. Gen. 47, 9 (P).

5. "They are bread to us." לחמנו הם

This phrase occurring Numb. 14, 9 (JE) means "We will devour them" or "completely consume them." G and J retain the same idiom. Cf. Dt. 7, 16 (D). "Thou shalt consume all the people;" and Jer. 10, 25, "They have eaten up Jacob and devoured him." (Vide Rashi and Ibn Ezra ad loc.) Cf. the German expression, "Den Kerl steck ich in die Tasche," "I put the fellow into my pocket."

6. " Choice wine."

This expression, or any other similar expression, is perfectly natural to the English from our point of view, although "choice" is really a noun. This expression is Hebrew in origin. "Choice" here means "best." It

reminds one of Dt. 12, 11 (D), "Your choice vows," מבחר נדריכם which G renders literally and J freely by "quidquid praecipuum est in numeribus." Cf. Jer. 22, 7, "Thy choice cedars," i. e. thy highest cedars.

7. "Counted it to him for righteousness." ויחשבה לו צדקה

This expression is frequently used by us, totally unconscious of the fact that it is Hebrew in origin. The idea it conveys is, "He put it down to his credit as a meritorious act." Among the many pictures the ancient Hebrew gave of his God is one representing God as the keeper of the book of life, in which were recorded the deeds of individuals and nations. The meritorious acts were put by God as by a bookkeeper on the credit side, whereas sins were entered on the debit side. Consider the phrases, "Blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book," Ex. 32, 32 (J); "The book of the living," Ps. 69, 28; "Whose names are in the book of life," Philip. 4, 3; "Another book was opened which is the book of life," Rev. 20, 12; "Book of remembrance," Mal. 3, 16. Cf. also Aboth 3, 16, "The shop is open, the merchant credits, the book is open and the hand records."

A passage where the phrase "Counted it for righteousness" occurs is Gen. 15, 6 (J²), "And he believed in the Lord, and He counted it to him for righteousness." Abraham's belief was the meritorious act put down to his credit. Wellhausen in his Notes to the English of Psalms, P.B., in commenting on Psalm 106, 31, remarks: "That is a meritorious work which never loses its efficacy. This is in accordance with the theory of 'Zekuth,' merit,' held by the Jews, which seems to have furnished the basis of the Roman Catholic Church teaching concerning the 'Thesaurus,' i. e. 'treasury of merits.'"

8. "With the edge of the sword." לפי חרב

This phrase occurring in Judg. 1, 8 (R), retained by G and J, is translated by P. B., "putting its inhabitants to the sword." It means the people were killed while the city was burned. (Cf. Oettli-Strack-Zoeckler Kom.)

.9. "From strength to strength." מחיל אל חיל

This expression means constant increase of strength or increase in strength at every step. In the biblical passage, from which it is taken, the basis of this conclusion is given. Ps. 84 is a song dedicated to the pilgrims, who went up to Jerusalem. The thought there conveyed is as P. B. suggests, "The pilgrims are not worn out by their hard journey, and now that they are close to the goal, the attraction, which has drawn them on, inspires them with fresh strength." Cf. notes to Ps. 84, P. B.

10. "Generations." תולדות

The term "generation" generally connotes either "production" or "the whole body of people living at the same time." In the biblical narratives, like in Gen. 2, 4 (P) it stands for "account" or "chronology." Hence in Gen. 2, 4 the text means "This is the account of heaven and earth," or, "This is the creation story;" and in Gen. 10, 1 (P), "This is the chronology of Noah's sons."

11. " Go to thy fathers." בוא אל־אבתיך

The phrase "go to thy fathers," Gen. 15, 15 (E) has reference to burial in the family sepulchre (vide Gunkel Nowack Series). Cf. Gen. 25, 8 (P). Strack, referring to Delitzsch (Strack-Zoeckler Kom.), holds that the

phrase, "going to the fathers," is not identical with burial, but has reference to a union of spirits as well as a union of bodies.

12. "Horn of my salvation." קרן ישעי

This phrase, occurring in II Sam. 22, 3, can be explained only in the light of the figure, on which it is based. The horn of horned animals is their weapon of attack and defense. Cf. Ezek. 29, 21. It is, therefore, the symbol of power. (Cf. note to Ezek. 29, 21 P. B.) "Horn of my salvation" consequently means the weapon through which I gain the victory. Cf. note to Ps. 18, 2 (P. B.). The term "horn" is therefore synonymous with "strength" in all passages like Ps. 75, 4. 5; 75, 10; 89, 17; 92, 10; 112, 10. Cf. also Kimchi to II Sam. 22, 3.

13. " Peace."

The term without usually rendered "peace" in A. V., has different meanings in different connections. Originally it means "perfection" and is used to connote "peace," because, according to the ancient Hebrews, perfection without peace was unthinkable. It may, however, be used in the following senses:

a. In that of "good faith." "Comest thou peaceably?" i. e. in good faith. I Sam. 16, 4 (Mid.)

b. As greeting. "Art thou in health?" II Sam. 20, 9 (J). A. V. i. e. "Art thou well?" or, "How do you do?" Cf. also שלום עליכם "Peace be upon you," and Arab.

c. As inquiry for an absent person, in the connection $5 \dots$ or simply $5 \dots$ "Is he well?" A. V. i. e. "How is he?" Gen. 29, 6 (J^2). The answer means "He is all right."

- d. As expression of parting. "Go in peace," i. e. farewell. I Sam. 1, 17 (E^2) .
- e. As expression of comfort. "Peace be unto thee," i. e. don't worry. Judg. 6, 23 (J).
- i. e. don't worry. Judg. 6, 23 (J).

 f. As "peace" when opposed to "war." "Then proclaim peace unto it." Dt. 20, 10 (D). (Vide Ges.-Buhl Dict.)

14. "Respecter of persons." נשא פנים

This phrase is based on Lev. 19, 15 (H), "Thou shalt not respect the person of the poor." G and J retain the idiom. איז has many derived meanings, the meaning always depending on the combination in which the verb stands. "To lift up the face" signifies in many instances to be partial, or "have special regard for the feelings of." All biblical critics explain the phrase thus. בשא פינם is sometimes rendered by A. V. "accept" (the person), which really ought to be rendered "respect the person," to convey the idea of partiality. Cf. Gen. 19, 21 (J); 32, 21 (E).

15. "Returned and considered."

The phrase "returned and considered," found in Eccl. 4, 1 ושבתי אני ואראה means "I considered again." It corresponds to ועור ראיתי Eccl. 3, 16 "And moreover I saw" A. V. (vide Wildeboer-Marti Series). In Hebrew the adverbial idea is often expressed by a verb. Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 120 (G).

16. "Said speaking."

Such a phrase as "said speaking," or "said saying" is of frequent use in English. It is decidedly Hebrew. It corresponds to ויאמר Gen. 9, 8 (P); 21, 22

(E); Ex. 5, 10 (JE), etc., and means "said speaking" in contradistinction to "said in writing." G retains the idiom while J uses simply "dixit." (Cf. P. B. Numb., note p. 53; Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 114, note 3; J. H. U. Cir. No. 114, July, 1894, p. 110a.) A phrase no less Hebrew in character than "said saying" is such an idiom as "wrote a letter stating," which corresponds to the Hebrew יש ויברב באמר (F. such expressions as Gen. 1, 22 (P) ייבתב ייבר לאמר "He blessed, saying;" Gen. 2, 16 (J) יוצר ייבר אמר "He commanded, saying;" and Gen. 8, 15 יובר ייבר אמר "He spoke saying."

17. "Servant to wash the feet of servants." שפחה לרחץ

This expression, found in I Sam. 25, 41 (J), and reproduced by G and J, expresses extreme humility. It is not to be taken literally, but should be understood to mean, in the passage just quoted, "I would be repaid if thou wouldst let me be among thy most menial servants, who wash, not merely the feet of their master, but the feet of their master's servants." In the East the washing of the master's feet is the servant's duty. מצורת דור דור באלו האני ראויה לו לאשה כ"א לשפחה לרחוין רגלי עבדיו

18. "Set me in a large place."

This phrase is taken from Ps. 118, 5, where the text reads, "The Lord answered me and set me in a large place." ענני במרחב יה The Hebrew ענני במרחב יה "He answered me and set me." The phrase means simply "He gave me ease." The English text of P. B. suggests the wording, "He granted me plenteous room." Cf. II Sam. 22, 20. The opposite of מרחב "A large place" should here be

noted. צר לי lit. meaning, "It is narrow for me," signifies "I am in distress."

The phrase, "The Lord answered me and set me in a large place," is a quotation from a psalm sung by the congregation. The date of the psalm is uncertain. Almost all critics regard it post-Exilic. It is not at all unlikely that the psalm is Maccabean in origin.

19. "Seven days and seven days." שבעת ימים ושבעת ימים

This phrase, taken from I K. 8, 65, and reproduced by G and J, means not merely fourteen days, as may be inferred from the words ארבעה עשר יום immediately following this phrase, but "in series of seven days each." In Hebrew, distributives are sometimes expressed by the repetition of a cardinal number with the object numbered also repeated. Cf. Josh. 3, 12 (J²). (Vide Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 134, 5.) Benzinger regards the second ושבעה ימים of the above quoted passage, together with מור ישר יום a gloss, on the basis of the omission in G, and II Chron. 7, 8-10. (Cf. Kittel-Nowack Series.)

20. "Shadow of death." צלמות

This expression comes to us from the Bible. One of the best known passages in which it occurs is Ps. 23, 4, "Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil." G and J retain this idiom. The rendition of G, J and A. V., is due to the wrong pointing of nurse in all cases where the word occurs. Cf. Ps. 44, 19; Job 3, 5; 10, 21; 24, 17. The pointing shows the work of a homilist. Gesenius justly calls attention to the fact that '2' shadow' in the O. T. is always considered a blessing. The blessedness believed

to characterize "shadow" may be gathered from such passages as "Ps. 17, 8, "Hide me under the shadow of thy wings." Cf. Ps. 63, 7; 121, 5. מבלמות ought to be pointed מלמות "thick darkness," making of the word not a compound, but an abstract term like "servitude." Cf. Arab. שברות and Assy. "salmu." What we, therefore, translate "shadow of death," being really "thick darkness," stands for "misery." That the "shadow of death" must mean "darkness" (which like "flood" and "depths" is used metaphorically for "misery") is seen from passages, where it is in a significant juxtaposition. Ps. 107, 10, "Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death." Cf. Jer. 2, 6.

21. "Sick unto death." חלה למות

We not infrequently hear this phrase. On tracing its origin, we will find it to be Hebrew in character. Is. 38, 1 reads, "In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death." G and J retain the idiom. "Sick unto death" means, so sick that he came near dying. It corresponds to our English phrase, "At the brink of the grave." Cf. also German "Rand des Grabes."

22. "Sons of Belial." בני בליעל

This phrase found in I Sam. 2, 12 (E²), rendered by G vioù λοιμοί and J "filii Belial" is a Hebraism given by A. V. in this form, in consequence of the J rendering. יעל is compounded from בלישל "not" and יעל

¹See Haupt's Judaic Account of Creation, JAOS, vol. XVII, where the author states that איר translated "mist" means "flood," "inundation," and that איר "calamity" may be a differentiation of איר "inundation."

"use." Cf. Ges.-Buhl Dict. The phrase "Sons of Belial" corresponds to our phrase "worthless fellows." Moore, Judg. 19, 22 (J) suggests "vile scoundrels," with reference to the men of Gibeah, who demand that the Levite be surrendered to them for licentious purposes. Cf. P. B. Judges.

23. "Son of man." בן־ארם

This phrase reproduced by G and J, and found in Ezek. 2, 1; means nothing more than "man," and is used for the latter. (Cf. Wellhausen, Skiz. u. Vorarb., Pt. 6, Berlin, 1899, p. 196.) The title "Son of man" is used by JHVH, but never by the prophet, and is an expression of Ezekiel's recognition of the weakness of man when compared with the greatness of God. (Cf. Notes to English Edition P. B.; Orelli, Strack-Zoeckler Kom.) Rabbinical commentators (Rashi and Kimchi) say that Ezekiel was addressed "Son of man" in order that he would know, not to become overbearing on account of his visions. בן־ארם is no more significant than the analogous phrase בן נביא which means simply "prophet" and not the "Son of a prophet." (Cf. Bertholet-Marti Series.) Kraetzschmar (Nowack Series) calls attention to the similar German expression "Menschenkind," used by Luther. This use of 12 corresponds to the similar use of בר in Aramaic, and of "aplu" in Assyrian.

24. "Sons of God." בני הארהים

G renders this oi $\partial_{i}\gamma_{i}$ and J "filii Dei." The "Sons of God" are not, as some commentators believe, "the nobles on earth," but the angels who, according to O. T., resemble God in essence and power, but are sub-

ordinate to Him. They constitute JHVH's court counsellors and messengers. Cf. Job 1, 6; Ps. 29, 1; 89, 7; Dan. 3, 25-28. Vested with the same powers as בני אלהים are the stars. Cf. Job 38, 7. A fact worthy of notice is that the בני אלהים are never called בני אלהים. The belief in the "Sons of God" is not indigenous to Israel. בני אלהים can mean only "angels" as בני אלהים means only "man." (Cf. Gunkel, Nowack Series; Holzinger, Marti Series.)

25. "Staff of life."

In speaking of bread we not infrequently term it the "staff of life." The expression no doubt came into use by the influence of such a biblical phrase as "staff of bread," ממה לחם . The justice of the underlying metaphor is realized on contemplating the very important part bread plays in the food of man. Deprived of bread we feel as miserable as does the individual dependent upon a staff for support when compelled to do without it. To understand the biblical phrase "staff of bread" take a passage in which the phrase occurs. Ps. 105, 16 reads, "Moreover he called for a famine upon the land; he brake the whole staff of bread." Wellhausen, in his Notes to the English Text of the P. B. Psalter, gives as English equivalent "Cut off from them every means of support." "Staff of bread," therefore, means "supply," "provision," the "staff" or "support" of man. Cf. also Lev. 26, 26; Is. 3, 1; Ez. 4, 16.

26. "Strange woman." נכריה

This phrase in English literally denotes a woman, with whom one is unacquainted. In Hebrew its equivalent may convey the same idea. In the Bible it is, how-

ever, used for the most part synonymously with the English "harlot," i. e. a strange woman, as opposed to one's own wife. (Cf. Prov. 2, 16; 5, 20; 6, 24; 7, 5; 20, 16; 23, 27. Cf. Ges.-Buhl Dict.; Toy Proverbs; Nowack Series.) What may have prompted the use of "strange woman" for "harlot" is perhaps the supposition that the harlots in Israel were for the most part foreigners. (Cf. Wildeboer, Marti Series.)

27. " Tree of life." מץ חיים

Toy suggests, in commenting on Prov. 3, 18, that "tree of life" is an expression equivalent (as appears from Prov. 11, 30; 13, 12, and 15, 4) to source of long life and peace. Cf. בעבורה ישינ reading which is החיים "the tree on account of which man obtains life." The idea of a tree possessing life-giving fruit originates no doubt from the legend Gen. 2, 3 (P). Cf. the expression מקור חיים Prov. 10, 11; 13, 14; 14, 27; 16, 22; also German "Jungbrunnen." (Cf. Critical Notes to Prov. P. B.; Wildeboer, Marti Series; Strack and Zoeckler Kom.)

28. " Vanity of vanities." הבל הבלים

The frequently heard keynote of the pessimist, "Vanity of vanities," is taken from the book of Eccl. Its meaning is best understood by studying one of the passages in which it occurs, e. g. Eccl. 1, 2. הבל הבלים is a superlative form meaning "greatest vanity" or "worst of vanities." (Cf. עבר עברים p. 115.) What we usually render "vanity" really means "breath." With this fact in mind the literal rendering of the passage would be "faintest breath." Says the Preacher "faintest breath" (referring to effort), "all is a

breath;" or to put the Hebraism "Vanity of vanities" into modern English, "How utterly transitory is everything." (Cf. Haupt, Book of Eccl., Oriental Stud. of Phila. Orie. Club, Boston, 1894.)

29. " Wash my hands in innocency." ארחץ בנקיון כפי

This phrase occurs in Ps. 26, 6. A note to this passage in the English text of P.B. points out that the figure here employed is not altogether clear, as innocence is neither the medium nor the consequence of the washing. It is, therefore, suggested that the phrase "wash my hands in innocency" means "I behave blamelessly" and not "I declare myself to be guiltless."

30. "Weariness of the flesh." יגעת בשר

This phrase occurs in Eccl. 12, 12, and means "An abuse of patience." G renders it κόπωσις σαρκός and J "carnis afflictio."

31. "Whoring."

The English term "whoring" corresponding to the Hebrew ננות and the phrase "to go a whoring after." when used in the Bible, metaphorically, connote faithlessness to Israel's God as manifested in the worship of idols; because the relation between JHVH and Israel was pictured as a marital one. Cf. Hos. 1 and 2. (Cf. Ges.-Buhl Heb. Dict.) Cf. Lev. 17, 7 (P); 20, 5 (H); Dt. 31, 16 (RJE); Ezek. 6, 9.

32. "The wise man's eyes are in his head." החכם עיניו

This phrase occurring in Eccl. 2, 14 means "the wise man may proceed with assurance." Rashi explains the passage to mean בתחלת הדבר מסתכל מה יהא בסופו and Ibn Ezra ילך בכל מקום שירצה ויראה הדרך הישרה והעקלקלות

B. Hebraisms Used in English which May Convey a Different Meaning

1. " Am I a dog's head " הראש כלב אנכי

This phrase found II Sam. 3, 8 (J), which Thenius translates "Am I a Judean dog's head" is an expression of contempt, like the English "Son of a bitch." To understand the force of the expression, consider the English "blockhead," the German "Schafskopf," "sheep's head," and "Hundsfott." Cf. also Eccl. 9, 4, "A living dog is better than a dead lion." The reason that Abner speaks of himself, in the passage from Samuel, in the words, "Am I a dog's head," is because he has been accused of having had sexual intercourse with Rizpah, Saul's concubine, a fact which greatly incenses Abner. A similar expression of contempt is "Cf. 24, 14 (J); II Sam. 9, 8 (J); II Sam. 16, 9 (J).

2. "Blood upon his head." דם בראשו

A phrase like this is certainly open to misinterpretation. The English wording would leave us under the impression that the blood stains would be upon the head. Bearing in mind that among the many meanings מי blood has (cf. p. 89), it has also the meaning "guilt" or "blame," we realize that "blood upon the head "signifies "he himself will be to blame," or, "he will have to suffer the consequences of his crime." Cf. Josh. 2, 19 (J²), "His blood shall be upon his head and we will be guiltless." Both Keil and Steuernagel call attention to the fact that מו בראשו equals בו בו Lev. 20, 9 (H). Cf. also II Sam. 1, 16 (E), "Thy blood be upon thy head." דמן על ראשן הפונים ווא is significant. It implies re-

sponsibility. Compare for this use of על II Sam. 18, 11 (J), "I would have given thee," i. e. it would have been my duty to give thee. Prov. 7, 14 זברי שלמים עלי "I have peace offerings with me," i. e. I owed peace offerings. Compare also Arab. ב in such a phrase as "How much for thee upon me" i. e. how much do I owe you?

3. "Establish the work of the hand."

This phrase, frequently used by preachers in their sermons and prayers, is anything but clear in meaning as it stands. "Establish the work of the hand" may be regarded as equivalent to "Make permanent our accomplishments." Its real significance comes out boldly when the biblical passage from which it is a quotation is studied. Ps. 90, 17 reads, "Establish the work of our hand upon us." כוננה עלינו The English text of the P. B. explains the meaning of the phrase by its reading, "Support thou the work of our hands." The udition is, as Wellhausen suggests, repeated from the end of the preceding line and hence meaningless. Baethgen holds that it is difficult to say whether the phrase "the work of our hands" refers to some special undertaking, or to all work alike.

4. "Face fell." נפל פנים

A Hebraism open to misinterpretation is the expression "face fell." It does not signify that the face or head fell upon the chest, but to be discouraged, to look gloomy. To appreciate its secondary meaning, take such an expression as the English "downhearted" or "drooping spirit." An example of a biblical passage,

where the expression "face fell" occurs," is Gen. 4, 5 (J²), "And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell." במל בנים "to let the face fall or drop" here means to look gloomy; it is opposed to the expression "to lift up the face," i. e. to look joyful. To bring out the contrast, let us take the two German expressions "Den Kopf hochtragen," "to carry the head high," and "Den Kopf haengen lassen," "to let the head hang." Cf. also "das Maul haengen lassen." A passage explaining the phrase "the face fell" is Job 29, 24, "The light of my countenance they cast not down." Delitzsch says, "the inward heat of passion is manifested by the falling of the countenance, the gestures of an angry brooding, of gloomy moroseness." Holzinger (Marti Series) expresses the same thought.

5. "Hands were feeble." רפה ידים

His "hands were feeble," an expression found in II Sam. 4, 1 (J), וירפו ידיו does not imply that the hands lost their physical power, or that their owner lost the use of them, but that the owner grew disheartened. Cf. II Chron. 15, 7; Is. 13, 7; Jer. 6, 24; Zeph. 3, 16. An expression, having the same force, is "drooping knees," which does not mean the "knees gave way," but that their owner is discouraged. Cf. γονύκροτος "weak-kneed." The same expression is found in Is. 35, 3, "Confirm the feeble knees," and Job 4, 4, "Thou hast strengthened the feeble knees," i. e. "thou hast encouraged the despairing." Another similar expression is "failing eyes." If רפה ידים means to be disheartened, שור ידים הוא ידים "to strengthen the hands," means to encourage, and not "to give physical support." Take II Sam. 2, 7 (J), "Let your hands be strengthened, and be ye

valiant," i. e. be hopeful and valiant. Cf. II Sam. 16, 21 (J).

6. "House of the captain of the guard." בית שר הטבחים

What this expression, found in Gen. 40, 3 (E), means, is difficult to say at first sight. שר המבחים literally means "chief of the butchers." According to Rob. Smith, Sem. 396, the plural מבחים is used to specify the body-guard of the king, called so because the duty of killing animals devolved upon them. (Cf. Ges.-Buhl Dict.) Holzinger (Marti Series) explains that court servants were given in charge of the chief of the king's body-guard. Strack states that בית הסהר the prison referred to in the text, formed the part of the palace, in which the captain of the guards had his residence. "House of the captain of the guard," therefore, means "chief body-guard's home."

7. "Lift up the head of." נשא ראש

To "lift up the head of" is another misleading expression. It does not signify to "elevate the head," but to "exalt the man," to "reinstate him into office," to "free him." Take Gen. 40, 13 (E), "Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head and restore thee unto thy place," and Gen. 40, 19, "Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee and shall hang thee on a tree." In the first of these two instances "Lift up the head" means "to free," while in the second, because followed by משליך it means to "behead." Cf. Assy. našu ša reši, "exalted head," "mighty."

8. "Bring his way upon his head." דרכו בראשו

This means "to punish him." Ezek. 9, 10, "Neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon

their head." Ezek. 11, 21, "But as for them, whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things, and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads." "To bring his way upon his head" corresponds to the phrase treated before, "Blood upon his head" (cf. p. 143). Another passage to the point is I K. 8, 32, "And judge thou thy servants, condemning the wicked to bring his way upon his head and justifying the righteous to give him according to his righteousness."

9. "And every plant of the field before it was in the earth."

The passage means, there were no plants yet in the earth. Rashi's interpretation of are is of help here in understanding the passage. Says Rashi on this passage: "Wherever are occurs in the Bible it means 'not yet' and not 'before." Even G and J misunderstood the use of are for both render it by the Greek and Latin equivalent of "before." For the use of "before" with the imperfect, see Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 107c. The correct meaning of the passage is given in Haupt's Judaic Account of Creation, JAOS, XVII, p. 158.

10. "Is full." שלם

The words "is full," often occurring in the Bible, are liable to be misunderstood. They do not convey the thought that the thing of which "fullness" is predicated may not admit of more substance to fill it. Gen. 15, 16 (E²), "The iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full," which G and J render literally, means "The Amorites have not yet reached the end of their tether," or, "their

evil conduct, bound to lead to their overthrow, is not yet so flagrant that their punishment should be inflicted." If שלם were translated "complete" the meaning would be clearer. Cf. Is. 40, 2, "That her warfare is accomplished (מלאה צבאה), that her iniquity is pardoned." Here אלם is used instead of שלם but the underlying thought is the same. The whole phrase means, as Cheyne says, in Notes of English Text of Isaiah, P. B., "The demands not merely of justice, but of wrath, have been satisfied."

11. "Law." תורה

That "law" often has a different meaning than simply legal enactment, may be seen by citing an example. II Chron. 15, 3 reads: "Now for a long season Israel hath been without the true God and without a teaching priest and without law." Benzinger (Marti Series) suggests that וללא כהן מורה may be a gloss, though he does not say so positively. By regarding the clause, a part of the text, the climax of the writer, which was in all probability intentional, is preserved. "Law" may mean "single law," Ex. 12, 49; the law of Moses, I K. 2, 3; all religious teaching, Aboth 1, 1; and religion itself, Ps. 1, 2. In the connection in which it stands in II Chron. תורה "law" means "religion." What the verse purposes to say is, "Israel was without a knowledge of God, without religious guide and without all religion."

12. " Left hand." שמאל

The phrase "left hand" שמאל sometimes means "north," and is used as indicative of relative position to a place. Take Gen. 14, 15, which reads, "Unto Hobah,

which is on the left hand of Damascus." G and J both reproduce this idiom. Thus ימין "right" means "south;" קדם "the front" means "east;" and אחרון "rear" means west." Cf. הים האחרון "the western sea," i. e. the Mediterranean. Dt. 11, 24; 34, 2 (D). As may be seen, these terms of location originate from the names of parts of the human body, and must have been chosen because of the relative position of people in question to the places described.

13. "My wrong be upon thee." חמסי עליך

14. "Pour out the heart." שפך את־נפש

This phrase means to give expression to one's feelings, and not, as might be supposed, to empty the heart of its contents, or to get rid of the heart by pouring. I Sam. 1, 15, "I have poured out my soul before thee." "שפּר "to pour out," in connection with שפר לב is equivalent to "שפר לב "to pour out the heart in tears," Lam.



2, 19. In this connection it is well to bear in mind that in Hebrew psychology נפש "soul" is the seat of the emotions and desires. Whenever לפני יהוה is appended to שבך נפש the whole phrase means "to complain before JHVH." (Ges. Heb. Dict.) Cf. Ps. 62, 9. Thenius calls attention to the combination שבך שבך Ps. 102, 1; 142, 3, and שבך כבר Lam. 2, 11. The English word "effusive" helps to explain the phrase "to pour out the heart." When using the word "effusive" we mean that the person to whom it is applied bubbles over with feeling. The fact that tears may be regarded the effusion of grief is here to the point.

שוב שבית שוב שבות "Return the captivity." שוב שבית

The phrase "return the captivity," in place of which we often meet with the form "turn again the captivity," is one of those expressions of the Bible open to misinterpretation. The English wording may lead us to suppose that it means either "change the captivity once more in character" or "bring the captivity again upon those, who had once already been in it." As for what its Hebrew equivalents signify (and there are apparently two such equivalents, שוב שבות and שוב שבית), there is a great deal of discussion. Preuschen has written a rather elaborate treatise on the subject (Stade, Zeitzsch. f. Alt. Test. Wissen., vol. 15). Much as has been written, there is as much uncertainty about the real meaning of the phrase, as existed before the days of modern scientific research. It was Cheyne, as Preuschen states, who remarked: "The debate (i. e. regarding שוב שבות) however, is not absolutely closed." Taking Hos. 6, 11, where שוב שבית occurs, we read: "Also, O Judah, he hath set a harvest for thee when I returned the captivity of my people." Nowack, in discussing the passage, refers to Am. 9, 14, where he states שבר means "to bring back captives," showing at the same time that he derives שבות not from שנת but from and that the phrase, therefore, has the meaning of "restoration." In fact much of the discussion as to this phrase hinges on the contention as to whether שבות comes from שבות or שבות

The form שוב שבות occurs in Dt. 30, 3; Jer. 31, 21; 33, 7.11.26; 48, 47; 49, 6; Ezek. 29, 14; Joel 3, 1; Amos 9, 14; Zeph. 3, 20; Ps. 14, 7; 53, 6. The form to be read שבות occurs in Jer. 29, 14; 49, 39; Ezek. 39, 25; Lam. 2, 14. The form שבות to be read שבות occurs in Zeph. 2, 7; Ps. 85, 2; 126, 4.

שבות always follows as object of שבות and takes the genitive of a people, seldom of a land (Jer. 33, 11), and only once of a person (Job 42, 10).

The latest edition of Ges. Dict. calls attention to the fact that the vocalization depends on the belief of the Masorites that שבה מביח מביח originated from שבה ציון This explains the reading of Ps. 126, 1 שבת ציון (which is no doubt a mistake of the copyists) in place of the correct form שביח ציון. The term "captivity" stands for "captives." It is not unusual to find in Hebrew the name of a place for the persons. Thus we have "Babylon" for "Babylonians" and "Zion" for "the inhabitants of Zion."

Stevens, in his "Songs of the Return," gives what Professor Haupt believes to be the English equivalents for the two Hebrew phrases, usually translated either "return the captivity" or "turn again the captivity." Wherever the Hebrew reading is שוב שבית it means "turn the captivity" or "bring back the captives," and

wherever the reading is שוב שבות it means "restore thoroughly." (Cf. Casanowicz, "Paronomasia," in the O. T., p. 80.)

16. "Smote them hip and thigh." ויך אותם שוק על־ירך

This phrase, taken literally, would lead to misapprehension. It may give the impression that the blow was inflicted on the hip and thigh of the people attacked. The real meaning is "defeated them completely." This proverbial phrase is taken from Judg. 15, 8 (J), and has reference to Samson's burning of the corn of the Philistines. The passage reads literally, "He smote them thigh upon buttock." Cf. German "Hals ueber Kopf;" also English "Root and branch." Moore, in his Notes to the English Version of Judges, remarks that the exact meaning of the phrase "hip and thigh" is not known. Budde regards "hip and thigh" a Hebrew colloquialism and explains it by the German phrase "Hals und Bein brechen." Cf. also "Die Zaehne in den Hals hineinschlagen" and "Jemand in Kochstuecke zerhauen."

17. "Strike hands." תקע יד

To "strike hands" does not mean, as may be supposed, "to give the hands a blow," or "to strike one hand with another," but "to make a bargain," "to furnish pledge." Cf. English "to strike a bargain." Job 17, 3 reads, "Who of my friends will go security for me and trust upon this in order to judge me favorably?" The original Hebrew for "to go security" is אָסָע בּרָּ Job has no confidence in the loyalty of his friends. According to Duhm, Job feels that while he would have to give security to an earthly judge, that he will not again

prove impious, he need bring no such guaranty to God, as God is both judge and security in one, on account of his confidence in Job. The passage undoubtedly means, "Who is it that, by extending the hand, goes my security?" Cf. also "handshake" as a means of assurance among almost all people.

שוב פנים "Turn away the face." שוב פנים

This phrase, which occurs in Ps. 132, 10, "For Thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of Thy anointed," does not mean to "turn away the head," but as P. B. suggests, "Do not repulse Thine anointed," "Do not disappoint."

19. "Went his way." הלך לדרכו

"He went his way" is familiar to everybody. Its equivalents are "He left" and "He went about his business." Gen. 32, 1 reads, "Jacob went on his way," and Numb. 24, 25, "Balak went his way." The wording of the phrase is open to misapprehension if taken literally, as it may be supposed that the idea to be conveyed is that some special path or road to be trodden is meant.

In this connection some other phrases in use, in which the word "way" may easily mislead, should be discussed. "Prosper the way" does not imply "Let prosperity be found along a certain path," but "Let the undertaking succeed." Cf. Gen. 24, 40 (J), "The Lord before whom I walked will send His angel with thee and prosper thy way." Deut. 28, 29 (D), "Thou shalt not prosper in thy ways."

20. " Walk in the ways of the Lord." הלך בדרכי יהוה

This phrase does not mean "Follow paths, which God himself hath trodden," but "Obey His wishes and commandments." Cf. Dt. 8, 6; 10, 12; 11, 22; 26, 17; 28, 9; 30, 16; Ps. 27, 11; 81, 13; 86, 11. A striking use of "way" is that which has the meaning "dealings." We have it in such a phrase as "Your ways do not suit me." Ps. 39, 1, "I said I will take heed to my ways that I sin not;" i. e. "I said I will look to my conduct," etc. Wellhausen suggests: "In my dealings with others" (English P. B.).

21. "Do it a second time." לא אשנה

This phrase is often used by people to-day and is misleading if taken literally. Take for instance such a sentence: "He wrote the exercise and will not write it a second time." The latter part of the sentence does not mean that "he will refuse to do it a second time," but "that he will not be compelled to write it again." The origin of this idiom is traceable to the Bible. I Sam. 26, 8 (RJE), "Let me smite him, I pray thee, with a spear, even to the earth at once, and I will not smite him a second time." After אשנה a word like is understood as object. "Will not smite him a second time" means, "Will not need to give him a second blow. I will kill him with one stroke."

22. "Years as the years of a hireling." שנים כשני שכיר

This phrase, occurring in Isaiah 16, 14, means "three years exactly measured" (English P. B.). Duhm also explains the passage to have this meaning. Cf. also Is. 21, 16, "Within a year according to the year of an hireling."

C. MISTRANSLATIONS.

We here give literalisms and hence mistranslations not conveying the idea intended.

1. "Flesh with the life thereof." בשר בנפשו

Take Gen. 9, 4 (P), "But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, ye shall not eat." The literal rendering of the above expression into English leaves the reader in doubt as to its meaning. Rashi, in commenting upon this verse, remarks: "Here God forbade the eating of any part of an animal still living; as if He wanted to say, 'as long as the animal is still in possession of its life, ye shall not partake of its flesh."

That there may have been need for a prohibition of the nature, such as Rashi conceives Gen. 9, 4 to be, is beyond a shadow of doubt. The Abyssinians are known to cut pieces from the hind quarters of the cows they drive, regarding these pieces delicacies. The expression "flesh with the life thereof" may, however, be regarded an equivalent of our expression, "raw flesh," i. e. flesh in which there is still a quantity of blood. The Hebrew was not permitted to partake of blood. Blood and life were supposed to be one and the same thing, and for life the Pentateuch endeavored to engender the highest regard, destining the blood to ritualistic purposes. Cf. Lev. 3, 17 (P); 7, 25-27 (P); 17, 10-14 (H); 19, 26 (H); Dt. 12, 16; 12, 23; 15, 23 (D).

2. "Egyptian." מצרי

The word "Egyptian" (מצרית), Gen. 16, 1 (J²), is no doubt an incorrect translation of the original. מצרים does not always mean "Egypt." Winkler believes that מצרים in O. T. frequently refers to Musri,

a land partly in northern Syria (Alt-test. Unters., 172) and partly in northern Arabia. According to the conditions referred to in the text, מצרית may here be a woman, hailing from that part of Musri in northern Arabia (Holzinger, Marti Series; Critical Notes, Is. P. B., p. 98; Ges.-Buhl Diet.)

3. "Take name in vain." נשא את־שם לשוא

"Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain," Ex. 20, 7 (E), does not mean not to pronounce God's name heedlessly, but "not to perjure one's self," i. e. not to "pronounce the false true in the name of God." Cf. Ex. 23, 1 (E). Josephus (Ant. III, 55), S, T, and Rabbinical commentaries all consider לשוא to mean "falsely." (Holzinger, Marti Series.)

4. "Clean place." מקום מהור

Lev. 4, 12, "Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth without the camp unto a clean place (מקום מהור) where the ashes are poured out and burned," etc. Rabbinical commentators, Keil, Dillmann and Driver, all explain "clean place" as a place especially set apart for the burning of holy things and free from all ceremonial defilement. Professor Haupt regards the expression a euphemism, euphemisms being of frequent occurrence in the Bible. "Clean place" stands for "unclean place," or our expressions "dumping ground" and "dunghill."

5. "Tabernacle of the congregation." אהל מוער

This phrase, found for example in Lev. 1, 1, is not correctly translated by A. V. "Tabernacle of the con-

gregation" would correspond to such a phrase as משכן עדה or משכן קהלה. The phrase אהל מוער should be translated "Tent of meeting" (P. B.), because it was the place at which God met Moses and Israel.

6. "Covereth his feet." מסיך את־רגליו

Judg. 3, 24 (J), "Surely he covereth his feet in his summer chamber." To cover the feet is unintelligible. J explains the passage. It translates מסיך הוא אחירגלייני by "forsitan purgat alvum," "perhaps he cleanses his bowels." "To cover the feet," therefore, means to crouch, to sit down, to ease one's nature. Holzinger explains the expression "seine Fuesse bedecken-umhegen mit dem zu Boden wallenden Gewande." רגלים "feet" is a euphemism for "privates" or "nudeness." Ex. 4, 25 (J), יווען לרגליו usually translated "She cast it at its feet," really means "She touched his privates." Is. 7, 20 שער הרגלים "The hair of the feet," means the "hair of the privates." Cf. also I Sam, 24, 3 (J), "And Saul went in to cover his feet."

7. "Pisseth against the wall." משתין בקיר

I Sam. 25, 22 (P), "So, and more also, do God unto the enemies of David if I leave of all that pertain to him by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall." He who "pisseth against the wall" does not mean, what Rashi takes it to mean, "not even a dog whose habit it is to piss against the wall," but means "male," because with females the act referred to is a natural impossibility. Cf. Deut. 20, 13 (D), providing for the smiting of every male with the edge of the sword.

8. "How long halt ye between two opinions."

This phrase occurring I K. 18, 21 (P) reads in the original ער אימתי אתם פסחים על שתי הסעפים G renders עד אימתי של שתי "knee joints." T renders it עד אימתי של אינין לתרין פלגון לתרין פלגון "How long will ye be divided into two parties?" Jastrow (JBL. XVII, p. 108), accepts Klostermann's emendation "הסעפים "thresholds" for הסעפים "opinions," and then translates הסש "to leap." The whole phrase, therefore, means, "How long will ye leap over two thresholds?" Attention should be called to the force of איני "To leap over a threshold" is equivalent to entering a sanctuary, a custom in vogue among Hebrews as well as among Philistines, as suggested by Jastrow. "To leap over two thresholds" is, therefore, equivalent to saying, "To worship in two sanctuaries," that of Baal and that of JHVH.

9. "By reason of strength." בגבורות

Ps. 90, 10 reads: "The days of our years are three score years and ten, and, if by reason of strength, they be four score years," etc. (בנבורות). G reads ἐἀν δὲ ἐν δυναστείαις and J, "si autem in potentatibus." Well-hausen in the English Version of the Psalter, P.B., takes it to mean "at the most." He considers בנבורות an expression like Aramaic למחסן. Baethgen points out that does not mean "physical strength" or "divine intervention," but must be taken as an adverbial expression. Cf. Sym. εἰ δὲ παραδόξως and Hier. "si autem multum." Cf. also Rashi to text. שמונים שנה הם הרבה נברו ימיו "And if his days last long they are eighty years." "By reason of strength" cannot mean "if he reaches old age," an interpretation offered by Delitzsch on the basis of Moed Qatan, 28a.

10. "A song of degrees." שיר המעלות

Each of the Psalms from 120 to 134 has the superscription, "A song of degrees" שיר המעלות G reads (מוֹלֹי) τον αναβαθμον "A song of the flight of steps," and J, "canticum graduum," "graded song."

Four theories are advanced with regard to the naming of these fifteen Psalms:

- a. They were sung on the steps leading to the temple.
- b. They had a rhythm, in which a phrase of one verse is repeated in the next following verse. This is, however, not always true of these Psalms, and is a phenomenon occurring also in other Psalms not belonging to this collection.
- c. They were songs of the return from the Exile, a theory suggested by the term ליה "To go up from Babylon to Jerusalem," Ezr. 7, 9.
- d. They were songs rendered on legally prescribed pilgrimages to the Temple. (Cf. Wellhausen, Psalms P. B.; Stevens, Songs of the Return.) Professor Haupt showed that שיר המעלות was a title to the whole collection and, in accordance with Hebrew usage, is a plural form of שיר המעלה שיר המעלה "The song of the Return" שיר המעלות שירי המעלות המעלות "Songs of the Return." (Hebraica, vol. II, Jan., 1886, p. 98, note 2.) With שיר המעלות המעלות "families," Neh. 1, 2; בית אבות המעלות "families," Neh. 1, 2; בית אבות "families," Neh. 1, 2; בית עצביהם "Their idol houses," I Sam. 31, 9. (Ges. Heb. Gram., par. 127e.)

In view of all this, one may see that שיר המעלות is incorrectly rendered when translated "a song of degrees." The title was no doubt prefixed to every one of this collection when the term מעלות was no longer understood.

11. "Heap coals of fire upon his head."

This quotation is taken from Prov. 25, 22, and reads in the original נחלים אחה החה על־ראשו Toy claims that החה is here used in the pregnant sense of "seize and put," i. e. "heap" (Toy, Proverbs). Professor Haupt explains החה to mean "burn." Cf. Eth. ahtáua "to light," "to kindle" (Notes to Crit. Ed. of Numb. P. B., p. 61, l. 34). In the light of this explanation the idea of revenge (Frankenberg-Nowack Series) on the enemy appears to be expressed more forcibly. For "fire" and "brimstone," as means of divine revenge, Cf. Gen. 19, 24 (J); Ps. 11, 6; 140, 10.

12. "Vexation of spirit."

The Hebrew text reads in Eccl. 1, 14 רעות רוח It literally means, "A striving after wind," and signifies "waste of effort" (Wildeboer, Marti Series). Cf. Eccl. 1, 14; 2, 11. 26; 4, 4. 6; 6, 9. G renders the phrase προαίρεσις πνεύματος and J, "afflictio spiritus," which, as may be seen, is responsible for the mistranslation. Note in this connection the reading of T, מבירות רוחא "The crushing of the spirit," and the comment of Rashi, מוף המעשה בא לידי כאב לב "The matter results in pain." "Vexation of spirit," which may result upon a waste of effort, is hardly the same as the waste of effort itself.

13. "To everything there is a season."

The original of this expression, Eccl. 3, 1, reads לכל ומן ועה לכל The passage means "everything lasts but a time;" birth and death, planting and uprooting, etc. This interpretation is endorsed by Siegfried, Budde, and by Gesenius Lexicon, which explains זמן

as a limited time, comparing it with Arab. Wildeboer accepts the traditional explanation, "For everything there is a time." That everything lasts but a time is in accord with the refrain of the book, "That everything is transitory."

14. " Virgin."

"Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son," Is. 7, 14, העלמה הרה ויולרת בן The English is a mistranslation of the original, due to the Ancient Versions, which in their wording render the text as though the Hebrew read הבתולה or הנערה. The Hebrew word is not equivalent to "virgin," but signifies a "young woman." (Cf. Kimchi.) Cheyne, in his English text of P. B., translates: "Behold a young woman will conceive and bear a son." In the Notes, Chevne explains that the sign "consists simply in the name which mothers will before long, by a kind of inspiration, give to their newly born babes. Not Ichabod (no glory), I Sam. 4, 21 (E), but Immanuel (God with us) or some similar name, expressing the delivership of JHVH, shall become the common name of the children of that generation." (Cf. also Duhm, Nowack, and others.)

נמר מדלי "As a drop of a bucket." כמר

Is. 40, 15 reads, "Behold the nations are as a drop of a bucket (כמר מרכי) and are counted as the small dust of the balance." Cheyne translates "Nations are accounted as a drop on a bucket," and Duhm says, "Nations are like a drop trickling down the side of a bucket; like the dust which does not count in weighing." The intention in this passage seems to be, to bring out the thought that nations are as unimportant to God, as a

drop trickling down the side of a bucket is not missed from the contents, and as the dust collecting on the scales plays no part in weighing. (Cf. English Is. P. B., note to 40, 15.) P. B. calls attention to Cant. 6, 5 "A flock of goats that lie along the side of Gilead," lit. from Gilead.

D. ARCHAEOLOGICAL SETTINGS

The instances given below are termed "Archaeological settings," because they, like many other passages of the Scriptures, hint at customs in vogue among the ancient Hebrews.

1. "Put thy hand under my thigh." שים־נא ידך תחת ירכי

This expression occurs in Gen. 24, 2 (J²) and Gen. 47, 29 (J²). All that this expression means is "Swear to me." The manner in which the oath was taken, among the early Hebrews, is here plainly indicated. As it is customary among us to raise our right hand above the head, so it was customary among the ancient Hebrews to put the hand on that part of the body immediately below the thigh of the person to whom the oath was given. Delitzsch, anticipated by Ibn Ezra, holds that this manner of taking an oath rested upon the sanctity of circumcision. Both Holzinger and Dillmann state that such an oath indicated that the promise given had to be fulfilled even to the posterity of the individual, whose thigh was touched, the thigh being the seat of procreative power.

2. "Bowed down his head."

This phrase is found in Gen. 24, 26 (J²). Ges. Heb. Dict. suggests that grammans "to throw one's self on

the knees, so that the face touches the earth." The English would lead one to suppose that the man simply lowered his head, whereas he in reality prostrated himself. Cf. J, "inclinavit se homo et adoravit Dominum."

3. "She shall bear upon my knees."

This phrase taken from Gen. 30, 3 (E) reads in the original וחלד על ברכי In using this expression Rachel intends to say that she will adopt Bilha's children as her own, and will legitimatize them by receiving them upon her knees. Cf. T, ואנא אירבי i. e. I will rear them. The bearing of the children upon her knees is a custom borrowed from the patriarchal character of the Israelitish family life. The birth of children took place upon the knees of the father, in order that the child would receive paternal recognition. It was thus symbolical of the child's legitimate birth. (Stade ZAT. VI, 143). Gunkel (Nowack Series) holds that the ceremony was first practiced by women and then adopted by men. Cf. Job 3, 12, "Why did the knees prevent me?" A. V.

4. "Pillar of cloud."

The "pillar of cloud," Ex. 13, 21 (JE), is in Hebrew your This expression is best explained by studying it in connection with the expression your rendered by G ἐν στύλφ πυρός and by J, "in columna ignis." Cf. also Ex. 14, 24 (J), in which occurs the wording "Pillar of fire and cloud." The "pillar of cloud" and the "pillar of fire" were the same. That, which during the day had the appearance of smoke, had at night the appearance of fire. Cf. Ex. 40, 34 (P). (Strack, Strack-Zoeckler, Kom.) The "pillars" were nothing more than fire signals, which usually

precede caravans and armies in the East. (Holzinger, Marti Series.)

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The end of our task has been well nigh reached. All that remains is the list of Hebraisms which have been collated for reference. I believe it has been conclusively proved that the A. V. is an almost literal translation of the M text, and is thus on every page replete with Hebrew idioms. The fact that Bible English has to a marvelous extent shaped our speech, giving peculiar connotations to many words, and sanctioning strange constructions, is not any less patent. The A. V. has been—it can be said without fear of being charged with exaggeration—the most powerful factor in the history of

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LIST OF HEBRAISMS IN A.V.

A

Abide (there—forever) I Sam. 1, 22.
i. e. remain.
able to bear them (land was—)Gen. 13, 6. i. e. roomy enough for them.
abode in strength (his bow—)Gen. 49, 24. i. e. remain strong.
abomination of the EgyptiansEx. 8, 26. i. e. idol of the Egyptians.
abomination unto the EgyptiansGen. 46, 34. i. e. beneath the Egyptians.
Abram the Hebrew
abundant in goodnessEx. 34, 6. i. e. very good.
accept his personJob 13, 8. i. e. be partial to him.
accept it for himLev. 1, 4. i. e. accept it on his behalf.
accomplish my desire I K. 5, 9. i. e. grant my request.
accomplished (thus shall mine anger be—) Ezek. 5, 13. i. e. vent itself.
according to all his desire I K. 5, 10. i. e. as requested.
according to his serviceII Chron. 31, 2. i. e. in his turn.
according to the commandment of the Lord
i. e. as the Lord commanded.

APPENDIX

according to the hand of the Lord upon him
according to their generationsEx. 6, 16. i. e. in chronological order.
according to the number of the daysEzkl. 4, 4. i. e. as long as.
according to these words
according to this thing (should do—)Gen. 44, 7. i. e. such a thing.
according to the time of lifeGen. 18, 10. i. e. at this time next year.
according to thy name
according to righteousness
according to Thy wordEx. 8, 10. i. e. as thou sayest.
accursed
adversary
adversary stood in the way, etcNumb. 22, 22. i. e. intercepted him.
afflict your soulsLev. 16, 29. i. e. mortify yourselves.
affliction and reproachNeh. 1, 3. i. e. trouble and disgrace.
after (lamented—)
after his kindLev. 11, 16. i. e. in its various kinds. P. B.
after the doingsLev. 18, 3. i. e. according to the customs.

after the manner of Egypt
after the manner of the daughtersEx. 21, 9. i. e. as a daughter.
after the similitude of
after they were come out of the landNumb. 1, 1. i. e. of their departure.
after seven days from time to timeI Chron. 9, 25. i. e. seven days in rotation.
after this mannerGen. 45, 23. i. e. as follows.
again no moreGen. 38, 26. i. e. not again.
again no more foreverEx. 14, 13. i. e. never again.
again the second timeJosh. 5, 2. i. e. the second time.
against Israel (he fought—)Numb. 21, 23. i. e. with Israel.
against me (all these things are—)Gen. 42, 36. i. e. injurious to me.
against the sun (hang them before the Lord—)
against the wall of a house I K. ϵ , 5. i. e. along the wall.
all authority (with—)Est. 9, 29. i. e. absolute authority.
all the day long
all his sons and all his daughtersGen. 37, 35. i. e. all his sons and daughters.
all kinds of music

all peace (unto Darius the king—)Ezr. 5, 7. i. e. greeting.
all that day
all that generationEx. 1, 6. i. e. that entire generation.
all the congregationEx. 17, 1. i. e. the entire congregation.
all the earth (make a joyful noise—all the earth)
all the plain (neither stay thou in—)Gen. 19, 17 i. e. anywhere in the plain.
all the words which the Lord hath saidEx. 24, 3. i. e. everything.
all your heart and all your soulDt. 11, 13. i. e. unselfishly and faithfully.
almost dwelt in silence (my soul had—)Ps. 94, 17. i. e. should have been dead.
all together on a smokeEx. 19, 18. i. e. smoked all over.
among the herdmen of TekoaAmos 1, 1. i. e. Tekoan herdsmen.
among the living
ancient of days
ancients of the peopleJer. 19, 1. i. e. oldest people.
and (Adam knew)Gen. 4, 1. i. e. when.
and (the rod of his anger)Prov. 22, 8 i. e. but.
and he sat (in the tent door)Gen. 18, 1. i. e. while sitting.

and his name was (Rebecca had a brother—)	
and it came to pass	
and Mahlon and ChilionRuth 1, 5. i. e. both M. and C.	
and the priest of his sons, that is anointed. Lev. 6, 22. i. e. the anointed priest of his descendants.	
angelJudg. 2, 1. i. e. messenger.	
anger was kindledGen. 30, 2. i. e. grew angry.	
anguish is come upon meII Sam. 1, 9 i. e. I am in anguish.	
anguish of his soul	
anointed with oilLev. 2, 4. i. e. spread with oil.	
another generationJoel 1, 3. i. e. the next generation.	
another spirit	4.
answered and said	
antiquity is of ancient daysls. 23, 7. i. e. origin is ancient.	
any more sons in my wombRuth 1, 11. i. e. bear any more sons.	
appearance of fire	
apply thine heartProv. 2, 2. i. e. pay attention.	
appointed them (a daily provision)Dan. 1, 5. i. e. apportioned.	

appointed him victuals I K. 11, 18. i. e. supported him.
appointed sign between the men of IsraelJudg. 20, 38. i. e. agreed upon.
appointed to die (lit. children of death)Ps. 79, 11. i. e. doomed to death.
armJob 40, 9. i. e. strength.
arm of fleshII Chron. 32, i. e. human arm.
army of the ChaldeesII K. 25, 10. i. e. Chaldeans.
art thou for usJosh. 5, 13. i. e. dost thou belong to us.
as iron—as brassLev. 26, 19. i. e. iron and brass.
as the man is, so is his strengthJudg. 8, 21. i. e. a man has a man's strength. P. B.
as the Lord livethII Sam. 14, 11 i. e. by the Lord.
as the sand of the seaGen. 32, 12. i. e. as plentiful as the sand.
as the stars of heaven for multitudeDt. 1, 10. i. e. as numerous as the stars.
as thou goest toward
ashamedJudg. 3, 25. i. e. saw they were mistaken. P. B.
ashamedJob 6, 20. i. e. disappointed.
asked each other of their welfareEx. 18, 7. i. e. saluted one another.
assembled themselves I K. 8, 2. i. e. assembled.
astonishment

bear upon my knees
beard
beautiful for situation
beautyII Chron. 3, 6. i. e. ornament.
beauty of holiness
beauty of holiness
beauty of Israel
beauty of the Lord
become my salvation
bed of languishing
before (it was in the earth)
before (the tabernacle of the congregation) Lev. 9, 5. i. e. in front of.
before (mourn—)II Sam. 3, 31. i. e. mourn on account of.
before (eat bread—)II K. 25, 29. i. e. eat at.
before (speak—)Neh. 4, 2. i. e. to.
before MamreGen. 23, 19. i. e. outside of.
before meEx. 20, 3. i. e. beside me.
before the street

before thee (O that Ishmael might live—).Gen. 17, 18. i. e. favored by thee.
before thee (behold Rebecca is—)Gen. 24, 51. i. e. here.
before thee (land is—)Gen. 47, 6. i. e. land is thine.
before the eyes of the Lord
before the sunII Sam. 12, 12. i. e. openly.
before they were laid downJosh. 2, 8. i. e. they had not yet laid down.
before thine eyes
before thy father (what is my sin—)I Sam. 20, 1. i. e. how have I wronged thy father.
beginning of his strength
beginning of monthsEx. 12, 2. i. e. first month.
behind KiryathJudg. 18, 12. i. e. west of K.
behold
behold I die
behold the goodJer. 29, 32. i. e. live to see the good.
being overcome (the voice of them that cry for—)Ex. 32, 18. i. e. cry of defeat.
believe theeEx. 19, 9. i. e. trust thee.
be like the word of one of themI K. 22, 13. i. e. agree. 12

belongeth (to me—vengeance and recompense)
beneath the mount
beside Ebenezer
better than wine
better to thee
between blood and blood
between one and anotherEx. 18, 16. i. e. between them.
between plea and plea
between stroke and stroke
betwixt me and theeGen. 23, 15. i. e. to us.
bind his soul with a bondNumb. 30, 2. i. e. obligate himself.
bind theeJudg. 15, 12. i, e. take thee prisoner.
birth (according to their—)Ex. 28, 10. i. e. age.
birthright (was given unto—) I Chron. 5, 1. i. e. portion.
birthright Gen. 43, 33. i. e. age.
bitter in soulJob 3, 20. i. e. embittered.
bitterness of my soulJob 10, 1. i. e. embittered as I am.

black and dark nightProv. 7, 9. i. e. thick of night.
blast and breath of thy nostrils
blast of GodJob 4, 9. i. e. God's fury.
blast of thy nostrilsEx. 15, 8. i. e. winds.
blest be he of the LordRuth 2, 20. i. e. the Lord bless him.
blessed the work of his handsJob 1, 10. i. e. prospered him.
blessing (take I pray thee my—)Gen. 33, 11. i. e. present.
blessing wherewith Moses blessedDt. 33, 1. i. e. blessing which Moses pronounced.
blind mine eyes I Sam. 12, 3. i. e. made me connive.
blood (conceal his—)Gen. 37, 26. 1. e. death.
blood upon thine houseDt. 22, 8. i. e. guilt upon it, etc.
blood (—with thee—) I Sam. 14, 32. i. e. raw.
blood (against innocent—) I Sam. 19, 5. i. e. person.
blood (purge thee—)
blood and blood
blood be upon thy headII Sam. 1, 16. 1. e. pay the penalty.
blood is required
blood of grapes

blood shall be upon him	3
blood shall return upon the head ofI K. 2, 33. i. e. shall be repaid with blood.	
blood toucheth blood	
bloody men	
blow with the trumpetsJosh. 6, 8. i. e. blow the trumpets.	
blue (cloth of—)Numb. 4, 1 i. e. blue cloth.	2
blue (loops of—)Ex. 26, 4. i. e. blue loops.	
bodies to bodies of clayJob 13, 12. i. e. bodies are easily broken.	
body of heavenEx. 24, 10. i. e. color of the sky.	
bone and flesh	
bone of my bone and flesh of my fleshGen. 2, 23. i. e. my like.	
i. e. every bone to its mate.	•
bonesGen. 50, 25 i. e. remains.	•
book of remembrance	
book of the generationsGen. 5, 1. i. e. historical narrative.	
book of the law	
bordersEx. 8, 1. i. e. country.	
born unto him (there were—)Job 1, 2. i. e. he had.	

bosomProv. 21, 14. i. e. secret.
bosom (let her lie in thy—)I K. 1, 2. i. e. let her lie at thy side.
both of them together (they went—)Gen. 22, 6. i. e. the two went together.
both small and great
both small and great
bottles old and rent and bound upJosh. 9, 4. i. e. old, rent and mended skin bottles.
bottom of the altarLev. 8, 15. i. e. base of the altar.
bound in the bundle of life I Sam. 25, 29. i. e. spared.
bountiful eye (have a—)
bow down thine ear
bowed down himselfGen. 23, 12. i. e. bowed down.
bowed down his headGen. 24, 26. i. e. lowered his face.
bowels (come forth out of thine own—)Gen. 15, 4. i. e. thine own flesh.
bowels did yearn upon
brass (fetters of—)II K. 25, 7. i. e. brass fetters.
brass (helmet of—)
brass

bread
bread of adversity
bread of mourners
bread of wickedness
bread for us
break off the golden earringsEx. 32, 2. i. e. take off, etc.
break me in pieces with wordsJob 19, 2. i. e. assail me.
break the pride of your powerLev. 26, 19. i. e. humble you.
break the staff of breadEzek. 4, 16. i. e. bring famine. (Cf. p. 140.)
break through
breath of life
brethrenJudg. 9, 1. i. e. kinsmen.
bring down my grey hairs with sorrow to the grave
bring forth the menJosh. 2, 3. i. e. surrender the men.
bring his trespass offeringLev. 5, 6. i. e. pay the penalty of his trespass.
bring his way upon his head I K. 8, 32. i. e. punish him.
bring them downJudg. 7, 4. i. e. lead them down.

i. e. caused all nations to fear him. brought up an evil report	·
i. e. make themselves tributary to. broad places	
i. e. market places. broken (the ships were—)	
i. e. wrecked. broken vessel (like a—)	
i. e. cast away. P. B. broken forth upon	
i. e. attacked. broken the staff of your bread Lev. 26, 26. i. e. stop your bread supply. (Cf. p. 140.) broken the yöke Jer. 28, 2. i. e. end of the tribute. broken up (the city was—) Jer. 52, 7. i. e. invaded. brother Gen. 29, 15. i. e. Kinsman. brother of E. and brother of A Gen. 14, 13. i. e. E.'s and A.'s brother. brought into Egypt Gen. 37, 28. i. e. brought to Egypt. brought the fear of him upon all nations. I Chron. 14, 17 i. e. caused all nations to fear him. brought up an evil report Numb. 13, 32. i. e. spread, etc. buckler to them Prov. 2, 7. i. e. protection. builded her house Prov. 14, 1. i. e. guards her home. built (shall be—) Jer. 12, 16. i. e. prosper.	
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i. e. prosper.	
burdens Ex. 2. 11.	
i. e. hardships.	burdensEx. 2, 11. i. e. hardships.

burdens Ex. 5, 4. i. e. tasks.	
burden	. 13, 1
burden of the word of the LordMal. 1, 1. i. e. substance.	
burn it with fireJer. 38, 18. i. e. set it afire.	
burned with fire	
burst out with	
burning coals of fire	
but a little (his wrath is kindled—)Ps. 2, 12. i. e. easily. P. B.	
but a little way to come toGen. 35, 16. i. e. near.	
but that thou mayest buryGen. 23, 6. i. e. so that thou canst not bury.	
by the hand of MosesNumb. 9, 23. i. e. delivered by Moses.	
by weight	25.
c	
Call her blessed	
call himself by the name of	
call peaceablyJudg. 21, 13. i. e. proclaim peace.	
called (in Isaac shall thy seed be—)Gen. 21, 12. i. e. posterity lie.	
called after the name of	

called by my nameJer. 7, 10. i. e. dedicated to me.
called by nameEst. 2, 14. i. e. expressly called.
called by thy name I K. 8, 43. i. e. named after thee.
called for a famine
called forEx. 1, 18. i. e. summoned.
i. e. he was alone when I called him.
i. e. gave the place the name.
called upon Thy name
called to come in
calves of our lips
came againstII Chron. 20, 1. i. e. attacked.
i. e. came to draw water. Ex. 2, 16.
came and told
i. e. had sexual intercourse with.
came near to enter
i. e. to meet. came out of the loins
i. e. descended. came the spirit of the Lord
i. e. felt called upon.

came up unto
cannot speak to thee good or badGen. 24, 50. i. e. we cannot express any opinion either favorable or unfavorable.
candle of the wicked shall be put outProv. 24, 20 i. e. he will have no progeny.
candle goeth not out by night
candlestick of the lightNumb. 4, 9. i. e. illuminating candlestick.
canst understand a dream to interpret itGen. 41, 15. i. e. thou understandest interpretation of dreams.
captivityJudg. 5, 12. i. e. captives.
captivity of his people
cast down every man his rodEx. 7, 12. i. e. every man cast down his rod.
cast her eyes upon
cast me behind thy back
casting thy lot among us
cast out of his handEx. 32, 19. i. e. threw them down.
caused his face to shine upon us
cause sorrow of heartLev. 26, 16. i. e. make life waste away. P.B.
cause to burn

LIST OF HEBRAISMS IN A.V.

cause to understand
cedar (house of—)II Sam. 7, 2. i. e. cedar house.
chariot of asses
child Samuel
children of a kingJudg. 8, 18. i. e. princes.
children of base men
children of BenjaminJudg. 20, 3. 1. e. Benjamites.
children of foolsJob 30, 8. i. e. foolish children.
children of GadNumb. 32, 29. i. e. Gaddites.
children of IsraelEx. 19, 3. i. e. Israelites.
children of JosephJosh. 17, 14. i. e. Josephites.
children of JudahJudg. 1, 8. i. e. Judahites.
children of men
children of MoabII Chron. 20, 1. i. e. Moabites.
children of pride
children of Reuben
children of strangers
children of the captivity

children of the eastJudg. 6, 3. i. e. Bedouins.
children of thy peopleLev. 19, 18. i. e. thy countrymen.
children of wickednessII Sam. 7, 10. i. e. wicked children.
children of Zion
children that are corrupters
choice one
choice young man and goodly I Sam. 9, 2. i. e. a fine young fellow.
choose none of his ways
chosen (Moses his—)
chosen men
chosen chariots
circumcise the foreskin of your heartDt. 10, 16. i. e. become consecrated.
city of David I K. 3, 1. i. e. David.
city of merchantsEzek. 17, 4. i. e. commercial centre.
city of palm treesJudg. 3, 13. i. e. palm city.
city of praiseJer. 49, 25. i. e. celebrated city.
city of truth
city of watersII Sam. 12, 27. i. e. water city.

cleanness of teeth
cleanse them from iniquityJer. 33, 8. i. e. forgive them.
closed (they have not been—)
closed up the flesh thereof
coat of many colors
come abroad untoEst. 1, 17. i. e. noised about among.
come again in peaceJudg. 8, 9. i. e. return successful.
come again to thee (thy flesh shall—)II K. 5, 10. i. e. return to its former health.
come down from that bedII K. 1, 4. i. e. get up from.
come into
come nearEx. 16, 9. i. e. come.
comest in (when thou—)
come out of your nostrilsNumb. 11, 20. i. e. ye become disgusted.
come upon (famine—)II K. 8, 1. i. e. rest upon.
comfort thine heartJudg. 19, 5. i. e. stay thy stomach. P. B.
comfort your hearts
coming in of the yearII K. 13, 20. i. e. beginning.
coming in of the doors

commanded to bringEst. 6, 1. i. e. ordered brought.
commandments—command you
committed great whoredoms
companion of a destroyerProv. 28, 24. i. e. equal to a destroyer.
i. e. exacted of the land.
confess thy nameI K. 8, 33. i. e. acknowledge thee.
confirmed in his handII K. 14, 5. i. e. firmly established.
confounded
confusion
congregation of evil doers
congregation of the mighty
consecration of his God upon his headNumb. 6, 7. i. e. he is consecrated to God.
consider your ways
consulted with myself
consume away
consume away in their holesZech. 14, 12. i. e. waste away in their sockets.
consume thine eyes I Sam. 2, 33. i. e. annoy thee.
content (to—take two talents)II K. 5, 23. i. e. take enough.

continual stroke
i. e. unremittingly. P. B.
i. e. carry out his promise.
convey me over
corners of the houseJob 1, 19. i. e. sides of.
corners of the earth
corruptedEx. 8, 24. i. e. devastated.
could not stand to K. 8, 11. i. e. were unable any longer.
counsel together
counted it to him for righteousnessGen. 15, 6. i. e. put it down to his credit. (Cf. p. 132.)
i. e. was displeased. (Cf. p. 144.)
countenance of Laban
cover not their iniquity
covered the nakedEzek. 18, 7. i. e. clothed the.
covereth his feet
covereth the faces
covering of the eyes
cried
i. e. prayed.

cry againstJon. 1, 2. i. e. denounce.
cry of themGen. 19, 13. i. e. charge against.
cry untoII K. 8, 3. i. e. petition.
cup of salvation
cup of consolationJer. 16, 7. i. e. consolation.
cursed grievous curse
custom of women is upon meGen. 31, 35. i. e. I have the menses.
cut off from his peopleLev. 7, 20. i. e. killed.
cut off (whose hope shall be—)Job 8, 14. i. e. blasted.
cut off from before thine eyes
cut off from the earthEx. 9, 15. i. e. die.
i. e. exterminate us.
cut them offEx. 23, 23. i. e. destroy them.
D
Dagger which had two edgesJudg. 3, 16. i. e. two-edged dagger.
dark sayings
darknessEccl. 5, 17. i. e. trouble.
daughterJer. 46, 19. i. e. people.

daughter of Babylon
daughter of Belial
daughter of JerusalemII K. 19, 21. i. e. Jerusalem.
daughter of women
daughter of ZionII K. 19, 21. i. e. Zion.
daughtersCant. 1, 5. i. e. girls.
daughters of Judah
daughters of Moab
daughters of men
daughters of the uncircumcisedII Sam. 1, 20. i. e. Gentile girls.
David thy son
day (his—)
day of my distress
day of the captivityJudg. 18, 30. i. e. depopulation.
day of the Lord
day of thy brotherOb. 1, 12. i. e. thy brother's day of misfortune.
day of vengeance
geance comes.

day of wrathProv. 11, 4. i. e. judgment day.
day to the heatJer. 36, 30. i. e. day exposed to the heat.
day unto day uttereth speech
days
days (in those—)
days (length of—)
days (last—)
days are fulfilled
days comeII K. 20, 17. i. e. time will come.
days of evil
days of heaven
days of the years of my pilgrimageGen. 47, 9. i. e. my age.
days should speakJob 32, 7. i. e. age should speak.
dead
dead bodies fall into the earthII Chron. 20, 24 i. e. dead upon the ground.
dead dog
dead man (behold thou art but a—)Gen. 20, 3. i. e. shall die.
dead menII Sam. 19, 28. i. e. men worthy of death.

dealt faithfullyII K. 12, 15. i. e. were honest.
dealt very bitterly withRuth 1, 20. i. e. afflicted.
death (to his own—)
death in the potII K. 4, 40. i. e. poison in.
Deborah a prophetessJudg. 4, 4. i. e. the prophetess Deborah.
deeps of the river shall dry upZech. 10, 11. i. e. rivers shall dry up to the bottom.
defendJudg. 10, 1. i. e. deliver.
delighted much
deliver his soul
deliver him into my hand
deliver our lives
depart
depart out of thy mouthJosh. 1, 8. i. e. be neglected.
deserving of his hand (according to the—) Judg. 9, 16. i. e. as he deserves.
desired (departed without being—)II Chron. 21, 20. i. e. missed.
despised their husbands in their eyesEst. 1, 17. i. e. disrespect.
despised him in her heartII Sam. 6, 16. i. e. became disgusted.

despised the commandmentII Sam. 12, 9. i. e. violated.
devouring words
did evil in the sight ofJudg. 2, 11. i. e. offended. P. B.
died out of the housesEx. 8, 13. i. e. died in.
die the deathNumb. 23, 10. 1. e. die.
direct his face untoGen. 46, 28. i. e. lead him.
disappointethJob 5, 12. i. e. turneth to naught.
discern between good and evilII Sam. 19, 35. i. e. in full possession of senses.
discern between right and left handJon. 4, 11. i. e. know good from evil.
diseased in his feet I K. 15, 23. i. e. had urinary trouble.
divide the living child in two I K. 3, 25. 1. e. cut in two.
divided them an inheritance by linePs. 78, 55. i. e. divided the land as a heritage.
divided in the midstGen. 15, 10. i. e. cut in two.
do after their worksEx. 23, 24. i. e. do as they do.
do away with the iniquity I Chron. 21, 8. i. e. pardon.
do thee good
do thou establishPs. 90, 17. i. e. prosper.
do worthily

do with me (what hast thou to—)Judg. 11, 12. i. e. what is there between us.
doest well
doings (after the—)Lev. 18, 3. i. e. customs.
dog's head
done to Israel
done evil to the peopleEx. 5, 23. i. e. afflicted.
done (works that he hath—)
done (what would be—)Ex. 2, 4. i. e. what would happen.
done trulyJudg. 9, 16. i. e. acted in good faith.
done unto them (shall it be—)Jer. 5, 13. i. e. ye shall fare.
double heart
doubled twice
doubt (thy life shall hang in—)
down (went—to Egypt)Numb. 20, 15. i. e. went to Egypt.
down with thee (go—)Gen. 46, 4. i. e. go with thee.
draw me
drawn them from the cityJosh. 8, 6. i. e. decoyed.
dreamed a dream

i. e. dreamed that.
drew forth
drew near to be putEst. 9, 1. i. e. about to be.
drew nigh that Israel must dieGen. 47, 29. i. e. Israel's death approached.
drew sword (men that—)Judg. 8, 10. i. e. fighting men.
dried away (our soul is—)Numb. 11, 6. i. e. faint.
dried upI K. 13, 4. i. e. paralyzed.
drinketh (is not this in which my Lord—).Gen. 44, 5. i. e. is not this from which my Lord drinketh?
driven backward and put to shamePs. 40, 14. i. e. retreat with dishonor.
drops of the night
drunk with bloodJer. 46, 10. i. e. reek.
drinketh (in which my Lord—)Ex. 44, 5. i. e. drink from.
dwellJudg. 1, 35. i. e. maintain themselves.
dwell among mine own peopleII K. 4, 13. i. e. I care for no such favor.
dwell in all the earth

E

Ears
earth I K. 10, 24. i. e. people.
earth (altar of—)Ex. 20, 24. i. e. earthen altar.
earth opened her mouth
ease me of mine adversariesls. 1, 24. i. e. vent my displeasure against.
eat at thy table
eat breadII Sam. 9, 7. i. e. live.
eat of my bread
eat our own bread
eat up
eateth up (land—)
eatingEx. 16, 16. i. e. appetite.
edge of the sword
elders of IsraelEx. 3, 18. i. e. officers of.
Eleazer the priest
Eliezer of Damascus
Elkanah her husband

emptyEx. 23, 15. i. e. empty-handed.
empty
encamp againstII Sam. 12, 28. i. e. besiege.
encourage themselvesJudg. 20, 22. i. e. were courageous.
endPs. 73, 17. i. e. fate.
end of the earth
end of heavenls. 13, 5. i. e. remotest corner of the earth.
endow her to be his wifeEx. 22, 16. i. e. marry her.
enlarge
enlarge my heart
enlarged my steps under me
enlargementEst. 4, 14. i. e. help.
entangled in the landEx. 14, 3. i. e. lost the way.
Esau his brotherGen. 32, 3. i. e. his brother Esau.
escape for thy life
establish before meJer. 30, 20. i. e. grow.
establish his word

establish the works
estimation by shekels of silverLev. 5, 15. i. e. to the value of two shekels.
even to
every one his dayJob 1, 4. i. e. in his turn.
everything that hath breath
everything there is a season (to—)Eccl. 3, 1. i. e. everything lasts but a time.
evil (against them for—)Judg. 2, 15. i. e. hurt.
evil (I have not found—in thee) I Sam. 29, 6. i. e. fault.
evil which I have seen under the sun Eccl. 10, 5. i. e. incongruity which.
evil arrows
evil caseEx. 5, 19. i. e. trouble.
evil spirit
evil way I K. 13, 33. i. e. wickedness.
exalted over me
excellence of dignity
execute upon her all this lawNumb. 5, 30. i. e. perform this duty.
exceedingly filled
eyes shall be evil toward

eyes (between—)Ex. 13, 9. i. e. forehead.
eyes (instead of—)Numb. 10, 31 i. e. guide or betrayer.
eyes
eyes may be opened toward1 K. 8, 29. i. e. watch.
eyes of man
eyes seeing it (mine—)
eyes were enlightened. I Sam. 14, 27 i. e. to be refreshed.
F
Face of all the earthGen. 1, 29. i. e. surface.
face (I will see his—)Gen. 32, 20. i. e. him personally.
face of man
face of the earthEx. 32, 12. i. e. earth.
face strong against their facesEzek. 3, 8. i. e. more persistent than they.
face to face
faces shall look one to anotherEx. 25, 20. i. e. shall face one another.
fail thee a man (there shall not—) i. e. you shall not lack a man.
faileth for
fair to look onEst. 1, 11. i. e. beautiful.

fairest among women
faithful are the woundsProv. 27, 6. i. e. trustworthy are the rebukes.
fall to the ground
fall uponJer. 6, 21.
families of the earth
families
famine of your houses
far be it from me
far from helping
far from safetyJob 5, 4. i. e. not safe.
fat of the land
fat (became—)
fat
fatness of thy house
father
fathers
father (sepulcher of—)II Sam. 17, 23. i. e. family sepulcher.
father's houseJosh. 2, 12.
i. e. family.

favor in the sight of (give this people—). Ex. 3, 21. i. e. cause this people to please.
fear of GodGen. 20, 11. i. e. piety.
fear may be before your facesEx. 20, 20. i. e. religion may.
fear (my—)Ex. 23, 27. i. e. fear of me.
fear of Isaac
fear of the AlmightyJob 6, 14. i. e. religion.
fear of the Lord
fear of God was on all the kingdomsII Chron. 20, 29. i. e. all people feared God.
fear of them fell upon them
fearful in praisesEx. 15, 11. i. e. praises engendering fear.
feast of a king
feebleness of handsJer. 47, 3. i. e. discouragement.
feed my people
feet (at his—)Judg. 4, 10. i. e. marched at his back.
feet (sit down at thy—)
feet (on his—)Judg. 4, 17. i. e. on foot.
feetRuth 3, 4. i. e. nakedness.
feet

feet (under—)
feet like hind's feet
feet with shoes
feignest them out of thine own heartNeh. 6, 8. i. e. imaginest them.
fell down slain
fell upon my face
fell down upon the groundJob 1, 20. i. e. prostrated himself full length.
fell unto me
feltEx. 10, 21. i. e. dense.
few days
field of burial
fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail
fight with
fill the valleys with
filled his days
filled with themEx. 1, 7. i. e. full of them.
filthy

find grace in the sight of
find him
finger of GodEx. 8, 19. i. e. act of God.
fire ran along the groundEx. 9, 23. i. e. lightning ran.
firmament of his power
first and last
first row was aEx. 39, 10. i. e. first row consisted of.
first yearLev. 9, 3. i. e. a year old.
first born
first bornGen. 25, 13. i. e. oldest.
flame of fireEx. 3, 2. i. e. flame.
flay the burnt offeringLev. 1, 6. i. e. the burnt offering shall be flayed. (Cf. p. 121.)
flesh
flesh
flesh
fleshLev. 15, 2. i. e. pudenda viri.
flesh

flock of the slaughterZech. 11, 4. i. e. flock prepared for slaughter.
flowing withEx. 3, 8. i. e. abounding in.
flying, creeping thingLev. 11, 21. i. e. winged, swarming creatures. P. B.
fly upon the shoulders
follyJosh. 7, 15. i. e. shameful deed.
folly (wrought—)
fools
foot (with thy—)
foot breadth
footstool of our God
for his wondrous works
for thy nameII Chron. 20, 9. i. e. for thy spirit.
for us (go up—)Judg. 1, 1. i. e. of us.
force the queen
forced the children of DanJudg. 1, 34. i. e. crowded.
forceDt. 22, 25. i. e. overpower.
foreverDt. 23, 3. i. e. at any time or at all times.

for me many days
for peace
foreskins 1 Sam. 18, 25. i. e. men.
forsaken the Lord
foreskins of your heartJer. 4, 4. i. e. wickedness.
fortified the city againstJudg. 9, 31. i. e. stirred up.
found grace in the eyes of the LordGen. 6, 8. i. e. pleased God.
found out (could not be—)II Chron. 4, 18 i. e. could not be computed.
from above
from afar off
from after himNumb. 32, 15. i. e. from him.
from among
from before
from between
from five years unto twentyLev. 27, 5. i. e. between five and twenty.
from himGen. 8, 8. i. e. (superfluous in English.)
from over the tabernacleEx. 40, 36. i. e. from.
from the border of Israel

from the land of
from one end of the earth to the other end
of the earth
i. e. from one end of the earth to the other.
from time to time
from the west
from twenty years old and upwardNumb. 1, 30. i. e. from twenty up.
from under heaven
from under the burdensEx. 6, 6. i. e. free you from.
fruit of her handsProv. 31, 31. i. e. reward of her labors.
fruit of his doingsJer. 17, 16. i. e. merit of his deeds.
fruit of their own way
fulfill her weekGen. 29, 27. i. e. finish the wedding feast.
full of peopleLam. 1, 1. i. e. populous.
full of the spirit of wisdom
fullness thereof
G
Gall (water of—)Jer. 8, 14. i. e. poisoned drug.
garden of cucumbers
i. e. cucumber garđen. 14
i. e. cucumber garden.

gate
gate of his enemies
gate of (in the—)II K. 7, 1. i. e. on the streets of.
gate of the cornerJer. 31, 38. i. e. furthest gate.
gate of the fountain
gate of the king
gate of the valley
gatesProv. 1, 21. i. e. market place.
gathered out
gathered to his people
gathered togetherEx. 4, 29. i. e. assembled.
gathered up his feet
gave my heartEccl. 1, 13. i. e. resolved.
gave into the hand of
genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright
generation of the righteous
generations

generationsEx. 16, 33. i. e. times.
generation to generation (from—)Ex. 17, 16. i. e. for all eternity.
gird up thy loinsII K. 4, 29. i. e. get ready.
girded with strength
give thine house
give a perfect heart
give sleep to mine eyes
give them one heart
give them an everlasting name
given us like sheep
given me (let my life be—)Est. 7, 3. i. e. spared.
given out (let the expenses be—)Ezr. 6, 4. i. e. paid.
giveth rain both the former and the latter.Jer. 5, 24. i. e. bringeth both the former and the latter rain.
glad in his heartEx. 4, 14. i. e. rejoice.
gladness of heart
glorious in holinessEx. 15, 11. i. e. gloriously holy.
glory

glory (crown of—)Prov. 16, 31. i. e. glorious crown.
glory and beautyEx. 28, 2.
glory of his richesEst. 5, 11. i. e. glorious riches.
glory of the LordEx. 16, 7. i. e. Lord's greatness.
go and call
go in unto
go out and come in
go out at the door of his houseEx. 12, 22. i. e. leave.
go out before
go return each to her mother's houseRuth 1, 8. i. e. return.
go thy way forth
go to thy fathers
go up
God made a wind to passGen. 8, 1. i. e. a wind came.
God of gods
God of knowledge I Sam. 2, 3. i. e. knowing God.
God of my righteousness
God of my strength

God of truth
going out and coming inII Sam. 3, 25. i. e. movements.
goings out ofNumb. 34, 5. i. e. ports.
goings outJosh. 15, 4. i. e. limits.
going the way of all the earthJosh. 23, 14. i. e. die.
gone far fromJer. 2, 5. i. e. have forsaken.
gone out of thy lips
gold (crown of—)Ex. 30, 3. i. e. golden crown.
gold (gods of—)Ex. 20, 23. i. e. golden gods.
gold (wedge of—)Josh. 7, 21. i. e. golden wedge.
good
good
good I Sam. 15, 9. i. e. valuable.
good I Sam. 25, 8. i. e. lucky.
good
goodDt. 6, 18. i. e. fertile.
good words I K. 12, 7. i. e. courteously.
goodII Chron. 10, 7. i. e. friendly.

good things
good in your eyes (as is—)Gen. 19, 8. i. e. as you please.
good tidings
goodly to look at
great shall be the day
great cry Ex. 11, 6. i. e. loud cry.
greatEx. 11, 3. i. e. renowned.
great man withII K. 5, 1. i. e. man much thought of by.
great seaNumb. 34, 7. i. e. Mediterranean.
great shout (with a—)Josh. 6, 5. i. e. tumultuously.
great I Sam. 25, 2. i. e. rich.
greatly I K. 2, 12. i. e. firmly.
greatness of thine armEx. 15, 16. i. e. thy great arm.
greatness of thy excellencyEx. 15, 7. i. e. thy excellent greatness.
greatness of thy mercyNumb. 14, 19. i. e. thy great mercy.
grief of mind unto IsaacGen. 26, 35. i. e. source of grief unto.
guard unto them
guile (with—)Ex. 21, 14. i. e. intentionally.

H

Habitation of thy house
had rest from warJosh. 14, 15. i. e. the war ended.
had the likeness of
half a shekel weight
hand
hand (at the—)
handGen. 44, 17. i. e. possession.
hand Ex. 21, 20. i. e. blow.
handNumb. 20, 20. i. e. force.
hand (have here at—) I Sam. 9, 8. i. e. have left.
hand
hand (high is thy right—)
hand (at your—)
hand Is. 28, 2. i. e. violence. P. B.
hand (it is in the power of their—)Mic. 2, 1. i. e. they have the opportunity.
hand be upon himJosh. 2, 19. i. e. any violence be done to him.
hand of Moses

hastened to performJer. 1, 12. i. e. quickly fulfill.
hastened to dress
hating covetousness (men—)Ex. 18, 21. i. e. unselfish men.
have no favorJosh. 11, 20. i. e. enjoy no consideration.
head (take thy master from thy—)II K. 2, 3. i. e. from thee.
head to the king
head
head of consecrationNumb. 6, 9. i. e. consecrated head.
heads
heads (lift up—)
heal their landII Chron. 7, 14. i. e. relieve.
heal their backsliding
health to the bones
heart
heartEx. 28, 29. i. e. breast.
heart (gave him another—) I Sam. 10, 9. i. e. changed him.
heart (understanding—)I K. 3, 9. i. e. good judgment.
heart (pure—)

heart (in thine—)
heart (kept the matter in my—)Dan. 7, 28. i. e. mind.
heart and fleshPs. 84, 2. i. e. soul and body.
heart and eyesNumb. 15, 39. i. e. desire and longing.
heart be lifted upDt. 8, 14. i. e. become haughty.
heart faileth
heart fainted
heart is hot
heart is merry with wineII Sam. 13, 28. i. e. under the influence of wine.
heart not with meJudg. 16, 15. i. e. dost not trust me.
heart ofI K. 8, 17. i. e. intention of.
heart of flesh
heart of the seaEx. 15, 8. i. e. within the sea.
heart panted
heart right as my heart is with thy heartII K. 10, 15. i. e. as sincere with me as I am with thee.
heart smote him
heart (lift up—)Lam. 3, 41. i. e. pray.
heart was not perfect withI K. 11, 4. i. e. was not loyal to.

LIST OF HEBRAISMS IN A.V.

heart was tenderII K. 22, 19. i. e. was touched.
heart was towardII Sam. 14, 1. i. e. longed for.
hearted (wise—)Ex. 35, 25. i. e. skilled.
heartsEx. 31, 6. i. e. minds.
hearts (stole the—)
hearts did meltJosh. 2, 11. i. e. were discouraged.
hearts were merryJudg. 16, 25. i. e. were in high spirits. P. B.
heat of the day I Sam. 11, 11. i. e. noon.
heat of angerDt. 29, 24. i. e. severity.
heaven
i. e. air.
i. e. air. heaven above
heaven aboveGen. 49, 25.
heaven above

a Hebrew, one of his brethrenEx. 2, 11. i. e. one of his Hebrew kinsmen.
heels
height was exalted aboveEzek. 31, 5. i.e. was higher than.
height was like the heightAmos 2, 9. i.e. as high as.
her blossoms
her days to be delivered were fulfilledGen. 25, 24. i. e. end of her pregnancy.
her two sons with herEx. 18, 6. i. e. with her two sons.
hidII Chron. 9, 2. i. e. unknown.
hide my faceDt. 32, 20. i. e. turn away.
hide their eyes fromLev. 20, 4. i. e. connive at.
high handsEx. 14, 8. i. e. triumphantly.
high looksPs. 18, 27. i. e. arrogant.
him that he was a goodly child (saw—)Ex. 2, 2, i. e. saw that he was beautiful. (Cf. p. 114.)
holiness (throne of his—)
honey for sweetness
horn I Sam. 2, 1. i. e. prosperity.
horn of my salvation
horn shall be exaltedPs. 112, 9. i. e. shall triumph.

host of heavenII K. 21, 3. i. e. stars.
hot burningLev. 13, 24.
i. e. burn caused by fire. P. B. hot
i. e. great. house
i. e. family. house
i. e. palace. house (to his—)
i. e. home. house for his kingdomII Chron, 2, 1.
i. e. palace. house for the name of the LordII Chron, 2, 1. i. e. temple.
house of bondageEx. 13, 14.
house of godsJudg. 17, 5. i. e. shrine.
house of JacobEx. 19, 3.
house of mirth
houseII Sam. 3, 6. i. e. dynasty.
house of fathersNumb. 1, 2. i. e. families.
house of the LordI K. 7, 40. i. e. temple.
how shall we order the child and how shall we do unto himJudg. 13, 12.
i. e. what shall be the rule and mode of life for the boy. P. B.
humble thyself beforeEx. 10, 3. i. e. pay homage to.

humble yeJudg. 19, 24. i. e. ravish. P. B.
humbleth himself
huntLam. 4, 18. i. e. track.
ī
ImaginationGen. 6, 5. i. e. motive.
imputed unto himLev. 7, 18. i. e. put down to his credit.
in (rejoice—)
in his youngest sonI K. 16, 34. i. e. at the cost of.
in abundance
in all the earthEx. 34, 10. i. e. anywhere.
in all thingsGen. 24, 1. i. e. with everything.
in her lifeLev. 18, 18. i. e. while she is alive.
in his first born
in that dayEx. 10, 28. i. e. on that day.
in the bookJer. 36, 8. i. e. out of the book.
in the day
in the day of rain
in the doorNumb. 11, 10. i. e. at the door.

in the earthEx. 20, 4. i. e. on the earth.
in the flesh
in the gate
in the midst of theeEx. 33, 3. i. e. with thee.
in the mountEx. 4, 27. i. e. at the mount.
in the plagueNumb. 25, 9. i. e. because of the plague.
in the second rankNumb. 2, 16. i. e. second in order.
in the strength
in the vine
in the way
in thee
in this
in thy light
in vainEx. 20, 7. i. e. uselessly.
in whom was no blemish
increase of the earthJudg. 6, 4. i. e. crops.
increase upon thee
indignation againstII K. 3, 27. i. e. enmity arose.

inhabited (not—)Lev. 16, 22. i. e. solitary.
inhabitest the praises of IsraelPs. 22, 3. i. e. thy throne is laid on Israel's songs of praise. P. B.
inherit
inheritanceEx. 34, 9. i. e. ward.
inheritance
iniquities are increased over our headEzr. 9, 6. i. e. we are totally submerged in our iniquities.
iniquityLev. 5, 1. i. e. consequences of iniquity.
iniquity in meII Sam. 14, 32. i. e. I have done wrong.
innocency of my hands
inquire of the Lord
instruction
instruction and astonishmentEzek. 5, 15. i. e. example and dread.
instruments of cruelty
instruments of music
integrity of my heartGen. 20, 5. i. e. good faith.
intreated of usEzr. 8, 23. i. e. lean toward us.
iron and brass

iron (bed of—)
iron (chariots of—)
is before thee (all the land—)Jer. 40, 4. i. e. choose the land.
is not a present to bring
Isaiah the prophet
Israel his father
it came to pass
it may be well with theeRuth 3, 1. i. e. thou mayest prosper.
ivory (houses of—)
ivory (throne of—)
J
Jealous forZach. 1, 14. i. e. zealous.
Jethro his father-in-lawEx. 3, 1. i. e. his father-in-law Jethro.
jewels of silver and jewels of goldGen. 24, 53. i. e. silver and golden jewels.
Jezebel his wifeI K. 21, 25. i. e. his wife Jezebel.
Joash his fatherJudg. 8, 32. i. e. his father Joash.
join unto
join themselves unto
15

join unto meGen. 29, 34. i. e. be devoted.
joined unto
joints of his loins were loosedDan. 5, 6. i. e. he trembled.
Joshua the son of NunJosh. 1, 1. i. e. Nun's son Joshua.
judge
judgeII Chron. 20, 12. i. e. punish.
judgedJudg. 3, 10. i. e. vindicated.
judgmentEx. 12, 12. i. e. justice.
judgmentNumb. 35, 12. i. e. trial.
judgment (awake to my—)
judgment
judgment
judgment (with just—)
judgmentEzr. 7, 26. i. e. punishment.
justifiedJob 11, 1. i. e. left unrebuked.
justified himself rather than GodJob 32, 2. i. e. considered himself more just than God.
justify the wickedEx. 23, 7. i. e. clear.
justifyJob 9, 20. i. e. defend

K

Keep angerJer. 3, 12. i. e. bear a grudge.
keep the feastEx. 12, 14. i. e. celebrate.
keep the feet
keep with a bridle
keep seed alive
keep silence before me
keep the chargeNumb. 1, 53. i. e. guard.
keep the way of the LordGen. 18, 19. i. e. be pious.
keepeth truth forever
kept the door (that—)II K. 12, 9. i. e. doorkeepers.
kick ye
kid of the goatsLev. 9, 3. i. e. kid.
kill the bullockLev. 1, 5. i. e. the bullock shall be killed.
king (in the fifth year of—)II Chron. 12, 2. i. e. reign of.
king of kings
kingdom of priestsEx. 19, 6. i. e. priestly kingdom.
kingdom upon

kings of peopleGen. 17, 16.
i. e. race of kings
kings of the earth
kiss me with the kisses
i. e. give me kisses.
kneeled upon his knees
knees
knew
i. e. had sexual intercourse with.
knewJudg. 18, 3.
i. e. recognized.
knit together as one manJudg. 20, 11. i. e. as confederates. P. B.
knowEx. 33, 12.
i. e. choose.
knownJudg. 3, 1.
i. e. experience of.
know
i. e. acquire.
knoweth
i. e. pays attention to.
L
Laban my brotherGen. 27, 43.
i. e. my brother Laban.
laid waste and brought to silenceIs. 15, 1. i. e. stormed and destroyed.
lame of his feet
i. e. lame.
lamented with this lamentationII Sam. 1, 17.
i. e. lamented as follows.
lamp I K. 15, 4.
i. e. rule.

lamp shall be put in obscure darknessProv. 20, 20. i. e. life shall vanish into oblivion.
land fainted
landDt. 9, 28. i. e. people of the land.
land of nativityJer. 46, 16. i. e. native land.
land of rivers of waters
land of captivity
land of the living
land of uprightness
land what it is (see the—)Numb. 13, 18. i. e. see what the land is.
large place
largeness of heart I K. 4, 29. i. e. generosity.
latter days
latter end
lawII Chron. 15, 3. i. e. religion.
law of his God
law of the LordII Chron. 12, 1. i. e. religion.
law of truth
layLev. 1, 8. i. e. arrange.

lay upon
leather (girdle of—)II K. 1, 8. i. e. leather girdle.
left hand
left of
leprous as snowEx. 4, 6. i. e. leprous, the color of snow.
let the Lord be so with youEx. 10, 10. i. e. by the Lord I swear.
lieth at the door
life is bound up in the lad's lifeGen. 44, 30. i. e. very much attached to him.
life is yet whole in meII Sam. 1, 9.
i. e. am still alive.
i. e. am still alive. life of the flesh
life of the fleshProv. 14, 30.
life of the flesh

lift up the head
lift up the horn
lift up feet
lift up tool Ex. 20, 25. i. e. put a tool.
lift up thyself
lift up a banner
lifted hand against
lifted soul unto vanity
lifted up his eyes
lifted up his eyes and sawGen. 22, 4. i. e. looked and saw.
lifted up their voices and weptRuth 1, 9. i. e. wept aloud.
lifting up the voice with joy
light of countenance
light of the eyes
light (at the—of thine arrows)
light of countenance
light personsJudg. 9, 4. i. e. reckless.
light that it was good (saw the—)Gen. 1, 4. i. e. saw that the light was good. (Cf. p. 114.)

like coreander seed, whiteEx. 16, 31. i. e. white, like coreander seed.
like people like priest
likeness (of the throne)Ezek. 1, 26. i. e. form.
line of thirty cubits did compass it round
about I K. 7, 23.
i. e. thirty cubits was its circumference.
lived after the death ofII K. 14, 17. i. e. survived.
living watersCant. 4, 15.
i. e. running waters.
look not upon me because I am blackCant. 1, 6. i. e. notice not that I am black.
look upon (to—)II Sam. 11, 2.
i. e. in appearance.
look upon one another (why do you—)Gen. 42, 1. i. e. be idle.
look behind himII Sam. 1, 7. i. e. turned around.
loosed my cordJob 30, 11. i. e. abandoned.
Lord be with you
Lord brought an east windEx. 10, 13. i. e. east wind raged.
lot
lot of his inheritance
loud and bitter cryEst. 4, 1. i. e. loudly and bitterly.
loud voice
loud voice
i, e. publicly.

love them freely
i. e. give them all my love.
M
Made haste and ranJudg. 13, 10. i. e. ran quickly.
made the sea dry landEx. 14, 21.
i. e. turned into. made release
i. e. granted. made governor
i. e. appointed. made a breach uponII Sam. 6, 8.
i. e. removed. made himself strange
i. e. disguised himself.
made ofNumb. 6, 4. i. e. yielded by.
made our savour to be abhorred in the eyes ofEx. 5, 21.
i. e. caused us to be despised. made sackcloth my garment
i. e. clothed myself in sackcloth.
made thin
magnified him
magnified himself against the LordJer. 48, 26. i. e. acted presumptuously.
magnify thee
magnify the Lord with me
magnify themselves against
make a captain

make a breach in it for us
make bright the arrowsJer. 51, 11. i. e. sharpen the arrows.
make him a great nation
make his face shine uponNumb. 6, 25. i. e. favor.
make me to stink
make ready
make thee a curse and an oathNumb. 5, 21. i. e. bring evil and misfortune upon thee.
make thy enemies thy footstoolPs. 110, 1. i. e. humble thy enemies. P. B.
make us a king
make full of ditchesII K. 3, 16. i. e. fill with ditches.
maketh to cease
make to transgress
make marriages with
make yourselves strangeJob 19, 3. i. e. estrange yourselves.
making their hearts merryJudg. 19, 22. i. e. feasting merrily. P. B.
male and female, created He themGen. 1, 27. i. e. He created male and female.
male of the first yearEx. 12, 5. i. e. male one year old.
man Elkanah

man of Benjamin
man of God I Sam. 9, 6. i. e. prophet.
man of the field
man's pen
matters would standEst. 3, 4. i. e. cause would be defended.
matters to doEx. 24, 14. i. e. difficulties to decide.
may becomeEx. 8, 16. i. e. turn into.
measure of thy covetousnessJer. 51, 13. i. e. limit of thy expansion.
melt awayEx. 15, 15. i. e. became disheartened.
melted (the earth—)
memorial Ex. 3, 15. i. e. token.
memorialEx. 28, 29. i. e. reminder.
memorial
men of Gibeon
men of renown
men of the east
men of the HebrewsEx. 2, 13. i. e. Hebrew men.
men of the landLev. 18, 27. i. e. inhabitants.

men of truthEx. 18, 21. i. e. honest men.
men of understandingEzr. 8, 16. i. e. intelligent men.
merchant of people
midst of heaven
midst of days
might (with—)
mighty rivers
mighty destruction
mighty hand
mighty man of wealthRuth 2, 1. i. e. very wealthy man.
mighty men of valorJosh. 1, 14. i. e. great warriors.
minister before the ark I Chron. 16, 4 i. e. tend to the ark.
ministered before
Miriam the prophetessEx. 15, 20. i. e. the prophetess Miriam.
mischievous things
money Ex. 21, 21. i. e. loss.
more honorable than all the house of his father

more than they might dwell togetherGen. 36, 7.i. e. so abundant that they could not dwell together.
morning
morning was light
Moses my servant
mouth
mouth
mouth (in thy—)Ex. 13, 9. i. e. familiar to you.
mouth (at the—)
mouthJudg. 9, 38. i. e. boast.
mouth (I have opened my—)Judg. 11, 35. i. e. promised.
mouth (with one—) I K. 22, 13. i. e. unanimously.
mouth of (by the—)
mouth (from the—of)Jer. 36, 4. i. e. dictation of.
mouth hath testified against me (thy—)II Sam. 1, 16. i. e. thou hast incriminated thyself.
mouth is enlarged
moved his tongue
much people

much strength
multitude of his childrenEst. 5, 11. i. e. his many children.
multitude of thy mercy
must not be done
my daughter a maidenJudg. 19, 24. i. e. my virgin daughter.
my daughter
my father and my mother
my mother I K. 2, 20. i. e. mother.
my service which I have done theeGen. 30, 26. i. e. the service which, etc.
my son
N
Nakedness of his father
naked (the people were—)Ex. 32, 25. i. e. unruly.
naked unto their shameEx. 32, 25. i. e. exposed them to shame.
nakedness of the landGen. 42, 9. i. e. poverty.
nakednessLam. 1, 8. i. e. shame.
name (an evil—)
name (my—might be therein)I K. 8, 16. i. e. spirit.

name (had a—)
name of the city at the firstJudg. 18, 29. i. e. the original name.
name declaredEx. 9, 16. i. e. fame spread.
name was (his—)
named on them (my name be—)Gen. 48, 16. i. e. may they be called by my name.
narrow windows of lights I K. 6, 4. i. e. windows wide without and nar- row within.
Nathan the prophetII Sam. 12, 25. i. e. the prophet Nathan.
near to flee unto
necks
necks of mine enemies (given me the—)II Sam. 22, 41. i. e. put to flight my enemies.
neighbor of thine
new jawbone
next unto his houseEx. 12, 4. i. e. nearest.
ninety years old and nine
no interpreter of it
noise
noise of his roaring

none shall be alone
none was left to him remaining (until—).Dt. 3, 3. i. e. no remnant was left to him.
not (and one is—)
nothing that breatheth
numberedJudg. 20, 15. i. e. mustered.
nurse unto it
O
Oath of the LordEx. 22, 11. i. e. oath in the Lord's name.
observe the saying
obtained favor in the sight of allEst. 2, 15. i. e. pleased all.
obtained kindness ofEst. 2, 9. i. e. was favored by.
of God
of her husband's
of seventy
of the children of Israel
of the eldersEx. 17, 5. i. e. of some officers.
of the stonesGen. 28, 11. i. e. a stone.
offer him for a burnt offeringGen. 22, 2. i. e. make of him a burnt offering.

offerLev. 1, 3.
i. e. present.
oil for lightEx. 39, 37.
i. e. illuminating oil.
old and full of days
olive oil beatenLev. 24, 2.
i. e. pressed olive oil. P. B.
on eagle's wings Ex. 19, 4.
i, e. as if by eagle's wings.
on the spoil laid they not their handEst. 9, 10.
i. e. the spoil they did not appropriate.
one could know another (before—) Ruth 3, 14. i. e. daylight.
one law Ex. 12, 49.
i. e. the same law.
one man (as—)Numb. 14, 15.
i. e. all at once.
one measure
i. e. the same measure.
one night (in—)Gen. 40, 5.
i. e. the same night.
one voice (with—)
i. e. in concert.
open mouth
i. e. crammed mouth eagerly.
open place
i. e. field.
opened her womb
i. e. made her fruitful.
oppression—oppress themEx. 3, 9.
i. e. oppression put upon them.
ordinance Ex. 12, 24.
i. e. institution.
ordinance (by an—forever)Numb. 18, 8.
i. e. fixed right.
16

i. e. beautiful ornament.
other times beforeJudg. 16, 20. i. e. time and time again.
out free for nothingEx. 21, 2. i. e. altogether free.
out fromEx. 12, 5. i. e. from.
out intoEst. 4, 1. i. e. to.
out of
out of my sightGen. 23, 4. i. e. (superfluous in English).
outside of the campJudg. 7, 19. i. e. edge of the camp.
outstretched armJer. 21, 5. i. e. with full power.
out of his temple
out of my mother's wombJob 1, 21. i. e. into the world.
out of the dust
out of their closed places
over EgyptEx. 1, 8. i. e. in.
over (king—)II Sam. 2, 9. i. e. of.
overIs. 15, 2. i. e. in.
over our heads

P

ParableNumb. 23, 7. i. e. poetry.
parcel of field
pass (a decree which shall not—)Ps. 148, 6. i. e. be transgressed.
passed along
Passover unto the Lord
pasture (of his—)
paths of life
paved with
peace
peace (go in—)
peace (in—)Ex. 18, 23. i. e. satisfied.
peace (words of—)
peace be unto theeJudg. 6, 23. i. e. thou art safe.
peace (I return in—)Judg. 11, 31. i. e. successful.
peace be with theeJudg. 19, 20. i. e. welcome.
peaceII Sam. 19, 30. i. e. safety.
peace (in—)I K. 2, 6. i. e. unscathed.

peace (is it—)II K. 9, 18. i. e. are you for friendship.
peculiar treasure unto me aboveEx. 19, 5. i. e. more beloved by me than all other people.
P. had children but H. had no childrenI Sam. 1, 2. i. e. P. had children but H. had none.
people afar offJoel 3, 8. i. e. foreign people.
people of the eastGen. 29, 1. i. e. Bedouins.
people of warJosh. 8, 1. i. e. warlike people.
perfect day
perform the oath
perform the truth
perish from the wayPs. 2, 12. i. e. ruin seize.
perishedII Sam. 1, 27. i. e. destroyed.
perished out of his land
perpetualLev. 6, 20. i. e. daily.
perverse in his waysProv. 14, 2. i. e. perverse habit.
perverse things
piece of breadProv. 6, 26. i. e. poverty.
pisseth against the wall I Sam. 25, 22. i. e. male.

pitch with pitch	4.
pitch the tentGen. 26, 1 i. e. settle.	17.
pitched the tent againstJer. 6, 3. i. e. encamped.	
place Ezr. 5, 15 i. e. site.	5.
place of ashesLev. 1, 10 i. e. ash pit. P. B.	6.
plagueLev. 13, 5 i. e. blow or stroke.	2.
plague of his own heart I K. 8, 3: i. e. his own affliction.	8.
plagued with plagues	17.
plainlyEzr. 4, 18 i. e. with proper translation.	8.
plant themEx. 15, 1 i. e. establish them.	7.
plaster them with plaster	
plea and plea (between—)	•
pleasant plant	
pleasant in thine eyes I K. 20, i. e. a pleasure to thee.	6.
point to die (at the—)	32.
portion of us (is there yet any—)Gen. 31, i. e. is anything more coming to us.	14.
portions	., 4.
possess the gate of	60.

pour out my soul in mePs. 42, 4. i. e. am disheartened.
poured into
poured outPs. 22, 14. i. e. disjointed.
poured out my soul
poured water on the hands ofII K. 3, 11. i. e. served.
power of my handGen. 31, 29. i. e. power.
praise his wordPs. 56, 4. i. e. glory. P. B.
praise herProv. 31, 31. i. e. speak for her.
praising the kingII Chron. 23, 12. i. e. saluting.
preciousII K. 1, 13. i. e. spared.
preciousLam. 4, 2. i. e. select.
prepared the peopleII Chron. 29, 36. i. e. changed.
prepared his heartEzr. 7, 10. i. e. resolved.
prepared a net
presence of all (in the—)Gen. 16, 12. i. e. with all.
presentJudg. 3, 15. i. e. tribute.
presented himself
pressed upon

prevailed against
pride of man
principal (in the—)Lev. 6, 5. i. e. full.
principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer
prisoners of hope
proclaim a peace unto it
pronouncing with his lipsLev. 5, 4. i. e. rashly. P. B.
prophesy with harpsI K. 25, 1. i. e. officiate.
prophetEx. 7, 1. i. e. spokesman.
prophetess
prosper in thy ways
proverb (became a—)
provoked the eye of his glory
Psalm of David
pure (upon the—table)Lev. 24, 6. i. e. pure gold.
pureness of heart
purged from you

put out of the campNumb. 5, 2.
i. e. remove.
put out the eyesNumb. 6, 14.
i. e. blindfold.
R
Rage of thy wrathJob 40, 11.
i. e. furious rage.
rain bread Ex. 16, 4.
i. e. send abundance.
rain no rain
i. e. send no rain.
raise me up I Sam. 2, 35.
i. e. select for me.
raise up seed to thy brotherGen. 38, 8.
i. e. preserve thy brother's name.
raise upRuth 4, 5.
i. e. perpetuate.
rate year by yearII Chron. 9, 24
i. e. fixed yearly tribute.
rebel against
i. e. violate.
received in the same year
i. e. reaped in the same year.
recompense their way upon their head Ezek. 9, 10.
i. e. requite them according to their deeds.
record against
i. e. warn.
red with wine
i. e. red because of.
redness of eyes
i. e. red eyes.
reins
i. e. my whole being.
rejoiceJudg. 16, 23.
i. e. hold festivity. P. B.

rejoice in thy salvation
rejoiceth
remain
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
remembered
remembered (be—)
removed out of his sightII K. 17, 23. i. e. banished.
renew our daysLam. 5, 21. i. e. make us strong.
repent
repent of the evil
repent of this evilEx. 32, 12. i. e. reconsider.
repent thee concerning
repented the LordGen. 6, 6. i. e. the Lord regretted.
repented the LordJudg. 2, 18. i. e. the Lord pitied.
reproach of EgyptJosh. 5, 9. i. e. disgrace.
require it of him
respect the personLev. 19, 15. i. e. be partial.
respect untoGen. 4, 4. i. e. accept.
respect unto youLev. 26, 9. i. e. favor you.

rest
rest
rest
restorer of thy life
return to thee
return every man unto his possessionLev. 25, 10. i. e. every one shall be reinstated.
return of the year
returned and considered
returned not again unto him any moreGen. 8, 12. i. e. never again returned to him.
returned the captivity
revenger of blood
revolted from under the handII Chron. 21, 10. i. e. revolted against.
reward against the innocent
rewarded evil unto themselves
right hand is full of righteousnessPs. 48, 10. i. e. act all together righteously.
right hand is a right hand of falsehoodPs. 144, 8. i. e. the grasp of whose hand is a lie. P. B.
right in the sight of the LordII Chron. 20, 32. i. e. pleased the Lord.

r	ise ye up
r	ising early and sending themJer. 25, 4. i. e. rising early to send them.
r	iver of Egypt I K. 8, 65. i. e. Nile.
r	ivers of Babylon
	ivers of water
r	roast with fireEx. 12, 8. i. e. roast.
	ock
r	od of menII Sam. 7, 19 i. e. punishment meted out by men.
r	ose from thence and looked towardGen. 18, 16. i. e. left starting for.
r	rose up from
	rottenness in his bones
	rulers of his chariots
1	unneth downLam. 1, 16. i. e. overfloweth.
	s
	Sabbath unto the LordEx. 16, 23. i. e. Lord's Sabbath.
8	acrifices of righteousness
\$	sacrifice of thanksgiving
8	saints

70 01 00
saints
i. e. trusty ones.
same hour
i. e. at once.
sanctify themEx. 19, 10.
i. e. cleanse.
sanctuaryPs. 114, 2.
i. e. centre of his religion.
saw not the king's faceII Sam. 14, 28.
i. e. appeared not to.
sawest (what—thou)Gen. 20, 10.
i. e. intend.
scarlet (as—)
i. e. red as scarlet.
sealed with a seal I K. 21, 8.
i. e. sealed.
seas
i. e. ocean.
season (to everything there is a-)Eccl. 3, 1.
i. e. everything lasts but a time.
second (the—day)Ex. 2, 13.
i. e. next.
secret
1. e. counsel.
secret
i. e. ineffable.
secret place
i. e. shelter.
seeNumb. 11, 15. i. e. contemplate.
seed
i. e. posterity.
seed of copulation go outLev. 15, 16.
i. e. have an emission of semen. P. B.
seed of evil doers
i. e. race of evil doers.

seek your God
seek after my soul
seek his face
seek the welfare
seeketh my life
seek rest for thee
seemeth good unto himII Sam. 15, 26. i. e. he thinks best.
seem righteousGen. 7, 1. i. e. regarded.
send his pleasureEzr. 5, 17. i. e. communicate his wish.
send and let him fetchGen. 42, 16. i. e. send to fetch.
sending portions to one anotherEst. 9, 19. i. e. interchange of presents.
sent and called forEst. 5, 10.
sent and fetched
separate themselvesLev. 22, 2. i. e. keep aloof.
separated one from the otherGen. 13, 11. i. e. parted.
separationLev. 12, 2. i. e. uncleanliness.
servant to wash the feet of the servants. (Cf. p. 136.)
i. e. humblest servant.
serveEx. 20, 5.
i. e. worship.

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serve
service
service of song
service they serve
set before
set him over
set himself to seek
set his faceII K. 12, 17. i. e. determine.
set his face toward
set his heartEx. 7, 23. i. e. pay attention to.
set in large place
set my face againstLev. 20, 3. i. e. determine.
set the land before
set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob
setteth the solitary in familiesPs. 68, 6. i. e. bringeth home the forsaken.
settled his countenance steadfastly until he was ashamedII K. 8, 11. i. e. restrained and held back as long as he could.

seven days and seven days
seven days were fulfilledEx. 7, 25. i. e. term of seven days past.
severEx. 9, 4. i. e. distinguish.
shadow of deathJob 3, 5. i. e. trouble. (Cf. p. 137.)
shadow of thy wingsPs. 36, 7. i. e. thy protection.
shake terribly
shake
shall be a sardiusEx. 28, 17. i. e. shall consist of.
shall be in thine heart
shall come
shall be turned into hell
Shallum thine uncleJer. 32, 7. i. e. thine uncle Shallum.
shame of face (with—)II Chron. 32, 21. i. e. disappointed.
shamedPs. 14, 6. i. e. bring to naught.
Shaphan the scribe
shekels of silver
show kindness unto

show a thing
show you kindness
shield of thy help
shield of thy salvationII Sam. 22, 36.
shortened that it cannot save
shorter than a man can stretch himself on it
shut up into
shut up her womb
sick of sickness (fallen—)II K. 13, 14. i. e. contracted a sickness.
sick unto death
side (is on my—)
sides thereof round aboutEx. 30, 3. i. e. all its sides.
sides of the shipJonah 1, 5. i. e. hold of the ship.
sight (were in our own—)Numb. 13, 33. i. e. seemed to ourselves.
sight of his eyes
sight of the Lord
17

sight of the sun
sign (for a—)
silence
i. e. the grave.
silence (with—)Amos 8, 3. i. e. without comment.
silent to me
silver (gods of—)Ex. 20, 23. i. e. silver gods.
sin (bear—)Lev. 22, 9. i. e. guilt.
sin will find you out
sin with lipsJob 2, 10. i. e. blaspheme.
sinew which shrank
sing with gladnessJer. 31, 7. i. e. intone a joyful song.
singing men and women
sins of my youth
sit upon my throne
sittest in thine house
sitteth still
sitting of his servants
skilful to destroy

slack thy handJosh. 10, 6. i. e. withdraw help.
slain I K. 9, 16.
slaughter (prepare—)
sleep perpetual sleepJer. 51, 39. i. e. sleep forever.
sleep departed from eyes
sleep to thine eyes (give not—)Prov. 6, 4. i. e. be not inattentive.
sleep with thy fathers
slow of speech and slow of tongueEx. 4, 10. i. e. stammer and lack eloquence.
small thing for you
smell
smite Ex. 21, 26. i. e. hurt.
smite David even unto the wall with it I Sam. 18, 11. i. e. pin David to the wall with it.
smite a second time (I will not—)I Sam. 26, 8. i. e. need not give a second blow. (Cf. p. 154.)
smite thine hands togetherEzek. 21, 14. i. e. clap with.
smitten down (they are—)Judg. 20, 32, i. e. we are beating them. P.B.
smoke against
smoke out of his nostrilsII K. 22, 9. i. e. burning anger.

smooth of his most
smooth of his neck
smote all the country
snareEx. 10, 7. i. e. menace.
snareEx. 23, 33. i. e. downfall.
sole of the foot even unto the headIs. 1, 6. i. e. head to toe.
Solomon thy sonI K. 1, 13. i. e. thy son Solomon.
son, even my first bornEx. 4, 22. i. e. my oldest son.
Son of God
son of his old ageGen. 37, 3. i. e. son born to him in old age.
son of man
song
song of loves
song of songs
sons
sons of Belial
sons of GodGen. 6, 2. i. e. angels.
sons of men
sons of the priests

speak good
speaking peace
spirit
spirit came again to I Sam. 30, 12. i. e. revived.
spirit in them
spirit of jealousy
spoken good
spoken well (thou hast—)Ex. 10, 29. i. e. shall be as thou hast spoken.
spot
sprinkle
spread forth your hands
spread skirt overRuth 3, 9. i. e. protect. (Cf. p. 164.)
stablish thy word
staff of
staff of his shoulder
stand
stand against the bloodLev. 19, 16. i. e. seek to have the blood. P. B.
stand before

stand beforeEx. 8, 20. i. e. place thyself.
stand fastJer. 46, 14. i. e. stop and consider.
stand upon an heap Josh. 3, 13. i. e. stand upright as.
stand upon
stand upon thy feet
stank before
star out of Jacob
stars of light
stay now thine hand
step between me and death (there is but a—)
steps
stiff neck
stiff neckEx. 32, 9. i. e. obstinate.
stone (altar of—)
stones (pavement of—)II K. 16, 17. i. e. stone pavement.
stoned with stonesLev. 24, 23. i. e. stoned.
stones of memorial

stood before
stood before his masterII Kings 5, 25. i. e. served.
stood before
stood for their livesEst. 9, 16. i. e. defended themselves.
stood up
strange womanJudg. 11, 2. i. e. harlot. (Cf. p. 140.)
strange children
strange children
strangeLev. 10, 1. i. e. unholy.
strange watersII K. 19, 24. i. e. waters of foreign lands.
strange wivesEzr. 10, 2. i. e. heathen wives.
strangerJudg. 19, 12. i. e. alien.
streets (make—)I K. 20, 34. i. e. lay out certain quarters.
strengthPs. 27, 1. i. e. stay.
strength of handEx. 13, 3. i. e. great power.
strengthJer. 20, 5. i. e. substance.
strength (in the—of that meat)I K. 19, 8. i. e. by the refreshment obtained from.

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strengthen thyself I K. 20, 22. i. e. get reinforcements.
strengthen thy stakes
strengthen himself
strengthened himselfII Chron. 21, 4. i. e. mustered an army.
strengthened in his kingdomII Chron. 1, 1. i. e. gaining in power.
strengthenedII Chron. 24, 13. i. e. repaired.
stretched forth the curtains
stretched-out armEx. 6, 6. i. e. might.
strong hand (with a—)Ex. 6, 1. i. e. willingly.
stumble
submit under hands
subtile of heartProv. 7, 10. i. e. wily.
suddenly
suffer sin upon himLev. 19, 17. i. e. incur sin on his account.
sufficient for himDt. 33, 7. i. e. strong enough.
sum of money Ex. 21, 30. i. e. penalty.
sum of the tabernacle Ex. 38, 21. i. e. appointments.
sun (before the—)

take a witnessJer. 32, 44. i. e. summon.
take ye the sumNumb. 1, 2. i. e. count.
take away from being
takethJosh. 7, 14. i. e. singles out.
talk of the lips
tasted the wine
teach me and I will holdJob 6, 24. i. e. teach me to hold.
testify against
testimonyII K. 11, 12. i. e. oath of office.
that we may drinkEx. 17, 2. i. e. to drink.
there was no manEx. 2, 12. i. e. no one.
the man
thee to dwell inEx. 15, 17. i. e. thy dwelling.
these thirty daysEst. 4, 11. i. e. thirty days.
these two years
they four had one likenessEzek. 10, 10. i. e. the four.
they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of IsraelEzek. 48, 19. i. e. its officers shall be picked out of all Israel.

they two
thine with me
thingEx. 12, 24. i. e. event.
the thing is true
think not with thyself Est. 4, 13. i. e. imagine not.
third day (against the—)Ex. 19, 11. i. e. day after to-morrow.
thirst
this nightJosh. 4, 3. i. e. to-night.
this day
this Jordan
this set time next yearGen. 17, 21. i. e. a year hence.
this twenty years
this wicked HamanEst. 7, 6. i. e. wicked Haman here.
thought in his heartEst. 6, 6. i. e. believed.
thought on
thoughts of his heartJer. 23, 20. i. e. solemn resolutions.
thousandth generation
thousand thousandII Chron. 14, 9. i. e. myriad.

three daysII K. 2, 17. i. e. for three days.
three years old (an heifer of—)Gen. 15, 9. i. e. a three year old heifer.
through the midst ofEx. 14, 16. i. e. through.
throughout all JudahGen. 41, 46. i. e. through Judah.
throughout all the wayJosh. 2, 22. i. e. on the whole way.
throughout your generationsEx. 30, 8. i. e. forever.
thrust out
thundered with great thunder I Sam. 7, 10. i. e. thundered terribly.
thy servant is heII Sam. 9, 2. i. e. it is I thy servant.
tidings in his mouthII Sam. 18, 25 i. e. brings tidings.
till thou comeJudg. 6, 4. i. e. as far as.
time and chance happeneth to them all Eccl. 9, 11. i. e. they are all subject to time and chance.
time of much rainEzr. 10, 13. i. e. rainy season.
time to comeEx. 13, 14. i. e. future.
time to time (from—)Ezek, 4, 10. i. e. at set times. P.B.
timesPs. 31, 15. i. e. fate.
to (thou shalt do—Ai)Josh. 8, 2. i. e. with.

to her sisterLev. 18, 18. i. e. in addition to her sister.
to meet herGen. 24, 17. i. e. toward her.
to possess it
to my face
to the earth I K. 1, 31. i. e. low.
to the people
to thyself
to what purpose cometh to meJer. 6, 20. i. e. of what benefit is it to me.
together
took
i. e. partook.
i. e. partook. took unto himGen. 4, 19.
i. e. partook. took unto him
i. e. partook. took unto himGen. 4, 19.
i. e. partook. took unto him
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treeEst. 2, 23.
i. e. gallows.
tree of lifeProv. 3, 18. i. e. brings life.
i. e. fright.
tributeJudg. 1, 28. i. e. forced labor.
tried my heartJer. 12, 3. i. e. put me to the test.
trouble unto me
troubled at his presence
true
true
truth in his heart
truth of all this
turn again our captivity
turn asideEx. 3, 3. i. e. stop.
turn aside from judgment
turn away
turn awayDt. 7, 4. i. e. lead astray.
turn fromEx. 32, 12. i. e. calm.
turn in unto

turn aside from
turn not away the face of thine anointed. Ps. 132, 10. i. e. do not disappoint him.
turn the battle to the gate (to them
that—) Is. 28, 5.
i. e. who beat back assailants to the
gate. P.B.
turn and thou shalt seeEzek. 8, 15. i. e. thou shalt again see.
turn their backs unto thee (make)Ex. 23, 27.
i. e. put to flight.
turnedDt. 3, 1.
i. e. veered.
turned againJudg. 8, 33.
i. e. relapsed.
turned from the fierceness of his angerJosh. 7, 26.
i. e. anger was appeased.
turned his handsII K. 9, 23.
i. e. veered about.
turned himselfEx. 10, 6.
i. e. turned around.
turned into another man
turned my feet
i. e. inclined to.
turned my wrath awayNumb. 25, 11. i. e. appeased.
turned the heart Ezek. 6, 22.
i. e. caused to favor.
turned the back before the enemyJosh. 7, 8.
i. e. flee from.
two and twoGen. 7, 15.
i. e. by twos.
two rings in the one side and two rings in
the other sideEx. 25, 12.
i. e. two rings on each side.

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UncircumcisedLev. 19, 23. i. e. unclean.
uncircumcised
uncircumcised
uncircumcised heartsLev. 26, 41. i. e. faithless hearts.
uncircumcised lipsEx. 6, 12. i. e. lips lacking eloquence.
undefiled in the way
under MountJosh. 13, 5. i. e. at the foot of Mount.
under heaven
under the sun
understand
unto deathII K. 20, 1. i. e. feared that he would die.
unto him (do—)
unto Jahaz
unto the end
unto the name of
unto thine heartJer. 4, 18. i. e. down into.
up before

up out of
upon handsLev. 8, 27. i. e. in hands.
upon the brink
upon the earth
upon the landNumb. 14, 36. i. e. against the land.
upon the people (urgent—)Ex. 12, 33. i. e. urge the people.
upon the wall
upon theeJudg. 12, 1. i. e. over thy head.
upon themJudg. 16, 26. i. e. against them.
upon thine heartEx. 9, 14. i. e. against thee.
upon this mountain
upon thy cattleEx. 9, 3. i. e. against thy cattle.
uprightJer. 10, 5. i. e. erect.
upright in heart
uprightness of heart
uttermost of thy borderNumb. 20, 16.
V
Vain (take name in—)Ex. 20, 7. i. e. perjure one's self.
valiant forJer. 9, 3. i. e. devoted to.

vanitiesPs. 31, 6. i. e. vain idols.
vanityJer. 18, 15. i. e. idol.
vanity of vanities
vineyardsJudg. 9, 27. i. e. grapes of vineyards.
virgin daughter of Babylon
visions of the night
visiting the iniquity
voice (hearken to the—)
voice (by a—)
voice of his excellencyJob 37, 4. i. e. resonant voice.
voice of my cry
voice
vowed a vow
vows are upon thee
w
Wait on thy name
waiteth upon
walk afterJer. 7, 6. i. e. adopt.

walk contraryLev. 26, 21. i. e. disobey.
walked before
walked in the way
walked with GodGen. 6, 9. i. e. was pious.
walkest by the way
walketh inProv. 19, 1. i. e. follows.
wall I Sam. 25, 16. i. e. protection.
wall (make on thee—a little chamber)II K. 4, 10. i. e. furnish a little chamber upstairs.
wall on this side and wall on that sideNumb. 22, 24. i. e. wall on either side.
was of the LordJosh. 11, 20. i. e. was the Lord's intention.
washLev. 1, 9. i. e. be washed.
wash feet
watch in the nightPs. 90, 4. i. e. hour at.
waterLam. 1, 16. i. e. tears.
water of purifyingNumb. 8, 7. i. e. purifying water.
waters
waters above the heavens
waxed great and went forward and grew.Gen. 26, 13. i. e. continually progressed.

wayGen. 42, 25.
i. e. journey.
way of righteousness
way of the hill
weakened the handsEzr. 4, 4. i. e. discouraged. (Cf. p. 145.)
wear away
wearied themselves to findGen. 19, 11. i. e. wearied themselves in trying to find.
went down
went every man his way I K. 1, 49. i. e. they separated.
went evil with his house
went fromII Kings, 4, 5. i. e. left.
went in Ex. 5, 1. i. e. went.
went in at the gate of his cityGen. 23, 10. i. e. passed to and fro.
went on her wayRuth 1, 7. i. e. proceeded.
went upon
went out after Ex. 15, 20. i. e. followed.
went out from
went out into all lands

i. e. rose in
went out untoEx. 2, 11. i. e. went to.
what is with me in the houseGen. 39, 8. i. e. things in my care.
what of the night
what portion have we in
whatsoever seemeth good unto theeJudg. 10, 15. i. e. what thou wilt.
wherein is he to be accounted of
wherein is no pleasure
wherein they must walkEx. 18, 20. i. e. follow.
wherein thou wast made to serve Is. 14, 3. i. e. put upon thee. P.B.
which looketh towardNumb. 21, 20, i. e. opposite.
which the name of the oneEx. 1, 15. i. e. name of one of them.
which thou puttest on me will I bearII K. 18, 14. i. e. whatever tribute thou mayest exact I will pay.
whoredoms of the well favored harlot the mistress of witchcraftsNah. 3, 4.
 e. on account of the charms of the graceful and bewitching harlot.
whoringLev. 17, 7. i. e. faithlessness.
whoring after (went a—)I Chron. 5, 25 i. e. worship.

whose seed was in itself
wicked in the sight of
wicked thingLev. 20, 17. i. e. disgrace.
wicked thing before mine eyes (will set no—)
i. e. extensive.
wife of thy covenant
wife of thy youth
wilderness of SinaiEx. 19, 1. i. e. region of Sinai.
will be with thy mouthEx. 4, 12. i. e. will help thy speech.
wilt make all his bed
winding about
window eastwardII K. 13, 17. i. e. east window.
winds
wine of astonishment
wine of violence
wisdom

APPENDIX

wise in thine own eyes
wise men which knew the timesEst. 1, 13. i. e. astrologers.
wise of heartJob 37, 24. i. e. prudent.
wisely I Sam. 18, 14. i. e. properly.
with a great shoutEzr. 3, 11. i. e. at the top of their voices.
with a loud voiceII Sam. 15, 23. i. e. bitterly.
with fiveGen. 14, 9. i. e. against five.
with great joy I K. 1, 40. i. e. greatly.
with her I K. 3, 17. i. e. like her.
with him (Aaron and his sons—)Lev. 8, 2. i. e. Aaron and also his sons.
with him (Lot—)Gen. 13, 1. i. e. accompanied by Lot.
with him
with him
with
with his face toward the groundGen. 19, 1. i. e. flat on the ground.
with his full strengthII K. 9, 24. i. e. at its full strength.
with his pledge
with IsraelEx. 17, 8. i. e. against Israel.

with the burial of an assJer. 22, 19. i. e. as an ass is buried.
with the life thereof
with the number ofNumb. 1, 2. i. e. corresponding to.
with their facesEx. 37, 9. i. e. facing.
with you
within and without
within herself
withhold himself fromJob 4, 2. i. e. help.
without inhabitant
without weight
witness
witness unto me
woman of a sorrowful spirit I Sam. 1, 15. i. e. sad woman.
womb (mother's—)Judg. 16, 17. i. e. birth. womb
i. e. beginning. wood (pulpit of—)
i. e. wooden pulpit. word
i. e. remark. word
i. e. command.

word
word
word as it was in my heartJosh. 14, 7. i. e. honest report.
words
words may be proved
words
words of understandingProv. 1, 2. i. e. significant words.
work (let the—alone)
work for I Sam. 14, 6. i. e. help.
work in
work of the apothecaryEx. 37, 29. i. e. formula.
worker in brassI K. 7, 14. i. e. brass worker.
workers of iniquity
works of thy hand
wrath
wrath
wrath wax hot
wrath uponNumb. 1, 53. i. e. harm to.

wrestlings have I wrestled (with great—).Gen. 30, 8. i. e. I have wrestled much.	
writeJer. 30, 2. i. e. put down.	
writeJer. 22, 30. i. e. decreed.	
writingII Chron. 21, 3 i. e. letter.	12
writing by his hand upon I Chron. 28, 1 i. e. personal drawings for.	9
writtenEx. 32, 15. i. e. inscribed.	
written I Chron. 4, 41 i. e. mentioned.	•
wrong be upon theeGen. 16, 5. i. e. I make thee responsible.	
wrong in my hands I Chron. 12, 15 i. e. have bad intentions.	7.
wrongeth his soul	
Y	
Years as the years of an hireling	
yet a little	
you (take—)	
young man an HebrewGen. 41, 12. i. e. a Hebrew young man.	





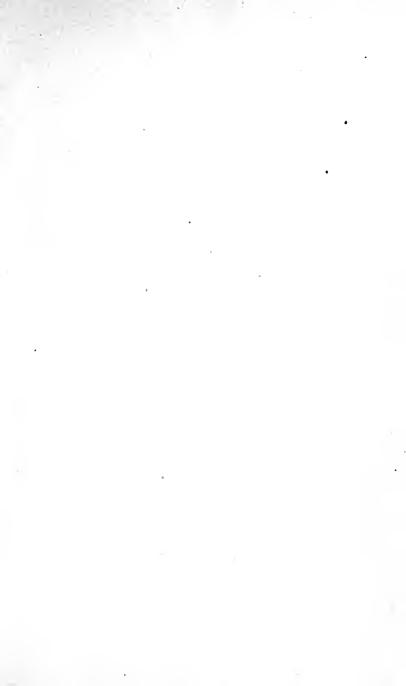
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